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11-year-olds below level set for pupils aged 7



A reveller enjoys children's day at the Notting Hill carnival yesterday Mas bands, page 4

PHOTOGRAPH: DAVID SILLITOE

ILLIAN Shep hard's strategy for trumpetin Govern ment's educaoff course by the publication today of evidence that many children leaving primary school have not attained the level in reading, writing and

John Carvel Education Editor

arithmetic expected of seven The Education and Employment Secretary had been planning on her return from holiday tomorrow to proclain improvements in this month's A level and GCSE results as evidence that the national curriculum and the

Government's other educa-But a study by John Marks, right-wing member of the School Curriculum and Asessment Authority, the average 11-year-old is nearly two years behind the expected standard in maths.

As pupils prepare to start
secondary school, 16 per cent
of girls and 19 per cent of boys
are at or below the level of
artitimetic achievement expected of a seven-year-old.

nis evidence suggests that performance in English is lit-lie hatter. Level 4, the expected stan-dard. Nine per cent of the girls and 15 per cent of the youd the target for seven-

Dr Marks based his analy sis on raw data from the Department for Education of performance by nearly 500,000 11-vear-olds in tests last year. He found the top 3,000 schools were more than a year ahead

#### 11-year-old tests

#### Top scoring LEAs 47年 建氯化盐

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10 Croydon

English, and more than 18 months shead in maths. Within the same education authority, pupils at the best schools were on average nearly four years ahead in English and 5% years ahead in maths, compared with

Mrs Shephard admitted in all 11-year-olds reached the expected standard in English and maths, but her officials did not calculate the extent of their under-achievement. She has promised much fuller information on this year's tests, including performance tables showing the percentage reaching the target standard for English, maths and

science at every primary.

Head teachers' leaders and

may further polarise schools by encouraging articulate their children into the best schools, leaving the worst to decline unchecked.

Dr Marks's study, pub-

lished today by the Social Market Foundation, shows 77 of the 107 local education auleast one school where the average performance of 11-year-olds in maths fails to reach the standard expected of the average seven-year-old. The same low standard is

achieved at English in 17 authorities, including shire areas usually considered rela-

county of Norfolk, 11-year-olds in the lowest-scoring school were on average four years behind the expected standard in English and five years behind in maths. Those in the top-scoring school were on average about eight months ahead of the expected standard in English and a year ahead in maths.

Dr Marks acknowledged that higher-performing schools may take in more children of above average ability, but he said poor results could not be excused by social disadvantage in a catchment area.
"It is a tragedy that young essential tools to make sense of their secondary education — the basic skills in arithmetic and reading.

He said the Government should publish data to allow performance of individual schools to be identified.

David Blunkett, the shadow education secretary, said the research would "torpedo any effort by the Government to pretend its policies are work-ing." Ministers should investigate why some schools in disadvantaged areas were doing much better and spread the ingredients of succes

Education department officials said performance tables would be published in March to identify where further pro-David Hart, general secre

tion of Head Teachers, said Dr Marks painted an unduly nary figures for 1996 sugaignificant gested improvement

"The problem is that the Government has not set a Avon, Dorset, Devon, East
Sussex and Leicestershire,
In Mrs Shephard's transfer of how many
11-year-olds should achieve
Level 4. Until it does, it is facile for Dr Marks to achieve national target of how many

### **Kate Adie condemned** over Dunblane report

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HE BBC and its chief news correspondent, Kate Adie, were criticised yesterday by a senior executive in the corporation for serious misjudgment in the reporting of the Dunblane

Colin Cameron, BBC Scot-land's head of television, accused the reporter of strik-ing a clinical and detached tone in her coverage of the killing of 16 children and their teacher.

Speaking at the Edinburgh
International Television Fes-

tival, he said: "Kate Adie's tone when she arrived was wrong — the precision of her delivery was not appropriate to the moment." Mr Cameron, whose criti-cism was aimed at Ms Adie's

Nine O'Clock News report the day after the massacre six months ago, said: "It was nothing to do with the quality control to the control to th of her journalism - just the tone of her voice. Later he added: "Kate brings, because of the nature of the work she has been doing, a presence with her. For the people of Dunblane it turned the coverage from one of an appalling tragedy to one of a world disaster."



Ms Adie said last night: "It

"Kate Adie ... covers a wide range of stories and it was entirely appropriate for har to report on Dunblane. Colin has said these were his per-sonal views."

Kate Adie . . . clinical tone of report 'not appropriate'

would be improper for me to comment on remarks made by a member of BBC staff." However, insiders said yes-terday that she was "not happy", and one colleague said she had been venomous about Mr Cameron. A BBC spokesman said:

Mr Cameron said he had not discussed his disquiet with Ms Adie. The 50-year-old

reporter has worked for the BBC for 27 years and came to prominence for her reports on the storming of the Iranian Embassy by the SAS in 1980. She has won awards for her work including coverage of the

Tiansumen Square massacre, the Zeebrugge disaster and the Gulf war, and is regarded as one of the BBC's toughest orters. She has a reputation as a loner, and is unpopular with some colleagues. Her reports from Libya fter US aircaft bombed Tripoli in 1986 were heavily criticised by the then Tory chair-man Norman Tebbitt, who

accused her of anti-US bias. BBC news executives in London were surprised at Mr Cameron's comments and said his criticism had not previously been raised with them. Some speculated that his unexpected intervention was part of a continuing spat between BBC Scotland and the London-based news and current affairs directorate. Last year a Panorama inter-view with John Major on the eve of the Scottish local election was banned north of the

border by the courts.

BBC Scotland bosses had warned against the interview, waried against the interview, and later managers in London were criticised by governors for showing insufficient aware-ness of the Scottish dimension.

### Ex-minister claims Howard knew of sentencing chaos

#### Michael White and Duncan Campbell

FORMER Conservative Home Office minister with extensive inside knowledge of Whitehall last night accused the Home Secretary, Michael Howard, of a calculated cover-up in the extensive the entire state of row over the early release of prisoners by the Prison Service.

The former minister insisted it was "totally and utterly unbelievable" to imag-

ine that the service's decision to change the basis on which sentences are calculated could have been done without the knowledge of senior ministers and officials. He said his former colleagues had miscalculated the scale and speed of the policy change. They had done so, he suggested, in the hope that after a handful of such early releases from prison, Mr Howard would be able to tell the Concentration Party conference in servative Party conference in October that "this will never happen again". The law would be changed in the forthcoming Criminal Justice

Bill — as had been planned.

"This is a Home Secretary

This is a Home Secretary who interferes morning, noon and night. What you have here is a classic Home Office driven

Interference to which the Prison Service responded, but which got out of control

The former minister, who is still an MP and declines to be identified, said that, on the basis of his experience, senior

"Such advice is given and

the Prison Service responded but which got out of control,' he told the Guardian. Home Office lawyers would have advised the Prison Ser-

copied to the Permanent Sec-retary, ministers and their special advisers, and others. In the Home Office there will who interferes morning, noon and night. What you have here is a classic Home Office-driven interference to which

"If you've been through that sort of exercise it is totally and utterly unbelievable that anyone would ignore that sort of advice. The notion that the consequences of this advice could have taken any minister or senior adviser in Queen Anne's Gate [where the Home Office is situated] by surprise

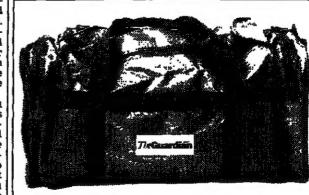
is total baloney.
"In today's PSA when you have advice from lawyers and you know it has been copied to the Home Secretary and everyone else, telling you the previous calculations [of sentences] is wrong, there is no question but that, if you don't want your head to roll, you act upon it. You draw up revised guidelines, however clumsily. "Ministers are now saying

they were not aware of the extent of the releases. But everyone, including the Home Secretary, will have known the advice the lawyers gave." The former minister said the proposed Criminal Justice Bill will require judges to make more specific calcula-tions about sentencing. It would have been discussed in the Cabinet's committee network where Treasury ministers would routinely have deturn to page 2, column 2

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### Inside

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# Democrats tame ghosts of Chicago

The party is taking no chances of a re-run of the 'police riot' at an earlier Windy City convention that stunned America. But it has little to fear from yipple activists



Jonathan Freedland

HE grandest statue in Chicago's Grant Park has a special Park his work gleam this week. Large gobs of mechanic's grease have been nanc s grease have been larded all over it—to prevent nostalgically-minded rebels from climbing up it.

In 1968, the bronze memorial to the civil war general

John Logan and his steed was stormed by hippies, yippies and assorted anti-war protest-ers, who scaled it, sat on the neral's head and waved the flag of the communist Viet Cong. In so doing, they gave the world one of the lasting images of the chaos that engulfed the Chicago Demo-cratic convention of 1968.

Now the Democrats have returned, and the city fathers are taking no chances on a repeat performance. Besides slicking up old man Logan,

they have put the police force through sensitivity training. This includes a screening of a documentary about that hot August week 28 years ago when Chicago cops turned tear-gas and night sticks against the young soldiers of he peace movement protesting against Democratic Party upport for the Vietnam war. The cops broke so many

heads that the blood gushed in the gutters. A federal report confirmed what a stunned America had seen with its own eyes: Chicago had wit-nessed a "police riot". The ghosts of those days

were summoned again yesterday, when the surviving mem-bers of the Chicago Seven the activists charged, con-victed and eventually acquitted of conspiracy to incite vio-lence — met for a "healing

Fatter, greyer and slower, Crosby, Stills and Nash strummed away, as did Jack-son Browne, but the day belonged to the old street-fighters. And, yes, they looked old. Tom Hayden, the raven-haired firebrand who urged the mob to storm the convention headquarters at the Hilton hotel, has returned to Chi cago in a suit and tie, as a California state senator. He is staying at the Hilton. John Froines is back, too now a university professor in



Workers hoist balloons at the Democratic Party convention in preparation for today's opening PHOTOGRAPHER: MARK DUNCA

nectacles and a cardigan. Missing are two of the seven's most magnificent members: the yippie leader Abble Hoffman — who threatened to send Chicagoans tripping by dropping LSD into the water supply — and Jerry Rubin, the fast-talker who declared war against the "old, menopausal men who run this country".

Both Hoffman and Rubin are dead now. "They're kind of looking at all this from another reality," said a sparkling-eyed Rennie Davis, the only seven-ite who looks younger now than he did then.
It is proving to be a fun few
days for the veterans of '68. On
Saturday night, Mr Davis was
surrounded by adoring young

hippies on a streetcorner — kids who weren't born when the Vietnam war was over. They would love there to be some trouble in Chicago this ek, just as they longed for mud and drugs at the second Woodstock festival in 1994: th sixties seem so cool, they earn for just a piece of it. There are some echoes for

the nostalgia freak. Chicago is ruled once more by a Mayor Richard Daley, son of the party boss who shouted expletives at the convention platform when his police were accused of Gestapo tactics. And Hoffman's activist son Andrew is leading demonstra tors at Grant Park, scene of the previous trouble

Some police share the hunger for past glories. Only 7 per cent of the force that fought the battle of '68 is still working. But cops have proved eager customers for a T-shirt depicting a truncheon-wielding policeman above the slo-gan: "We kicked your father's

ass in 1968 . . . Wait till you see what we do to you."
It will probably prove a vain boast. The Chicago force is not what it was — white, male and bigoted. One in four of today's cops is black, one in five is female and 10 per cent are His-panic. They have been told that every one of the 15,000 journalists in town wants a colour version of those old ar chive shots of head-beatings

comply.

But they have little to fear.
The Chicago Seven pose no threats now that the counter-culture has become the culture. Rock and roll is used in elevision advertisements. and even Republicans admit

and that they are not to

they used to get high.
Those who have stuck to the old message have been ren-dered harmless. Mr Davis keeps his hair long, and ex plains his new invention for "drawing energy from the am-bient environment". He says he loves the Chicago police be-cause "they're far out". David Dellinger, aged 81, is still a radical: "Things have

continued from page i manded to know the cost

while for anything to happen. They assumed one or two

people might be let out and provide Michael Howard with

the perfect reason to trump it

at the party conference. But it

blew up in his face."
The shadow home secretary, Jack Straw, last night

warned Mr Howard not to make Richard Tilt, the Prison

Service director, a scapegoat

Prisoners who had been awaiting early release until Mr Howard suspended the

cut short his holiday last

night. He plans to be at work this morning, to sort out the

confusion caused last week by

the decision to release hun-

dreds of prisoners serving

consecutive sentences who

had already spent time on

Mr Tilt insisted he would not

resign and said: "Tm not sure anybody is to blame."

over the crisis.

Everyone knew the advice the laywers gave, everyone knew the consequences, but assumed it would take a little

got worse, there are more rich people controlling the society now than in '68," he says, insisting you call him Dave. Even so, the heat has gone Veterans of '68 are on television, reminding Americans that the turmoil ran all year. climaxing in the assassina-tions of Martin Luther King and Bobby Kennedy. There were life and death issues at stake then — civil rights and

The battles today are not so obvious. The demonstrators obvious. The denions that herded into the official protest site — a fixture at all post '68 conventions — tell the story: they include the US chamber of commerce, the Chicago Society for Space Studies and a group that wants the actor John Belushi commemorated

on a postage stamp.
A few miles away, there is yet more evidence of how much has changed: Chicagoans roller blade along the lake-front, play touch football in Seneca Park and sip cappuccino along Michigan Avenue. Mayor Daley danced on Friday night with Jesse Jackson at a free concert by Aretha Franklin, America in 1996 may not be fully at peace with itself, but in 1968 it was at war. And there's a big difference.

Alming for gun law, page 6;

last week they were entitled to early release are waiting

for the issue to be tested in the courts. Mr Howard ex-pects that lawyers acting on behalf of an aggrieved pris-

oner will challenge his ruling. A definitive decision will be made in the High Court this

week. The Prison Service made it clear it backs the

Mr Straw focused on the 48-

hour gap between Mr Tilt's pre-holiday memo — warning

that some releases might "at-

tract some attention" — last Wednesday and Mr Howard's U-turn on Friday.

"Even if Michael Howard's

version of events is accepted the Home Office was told of the release of prisoners on

prisoners walk free. There

fore any attempt to scapegoat

Richard Tilt will be seen by

the public as a classic

Michael Howard tactic to pass

the buck when things go

wrong," he said.

If the courts decide in Mr

Howard's favour, it is un-likely any attempt will be made to bring back prisoners

already released. Many are

Home Secretary's tactics.

**Howard attacked** 

on sentencing

#### Review

Tepid souffle of love and psychoanalysis misfires badly

Jonathan Romney A Couch in New York Edinburgh Film Festival

HE words "gala" and "Chantal Akerman" don't normally go together. In the 1970s, Akerman was the last word in rigorous feminist arts cinema, making the sort of film that hard core critics ap-plauded for their radical ques tioning of traditional notions of pleasure. So it seemed like a surreal gesture for the Dramto close with her latest film -improbably, a light romantic comedy starring Juliette Bin-

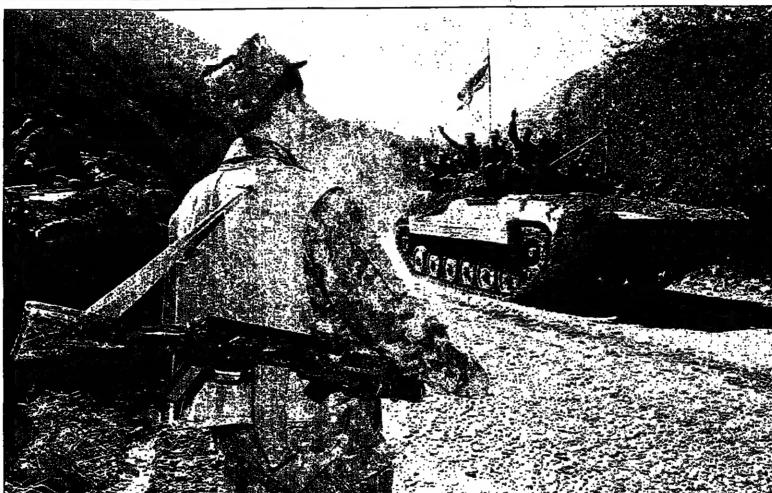
oche and William Hurt. Even if A Couch in New York had worked, it would have made a downbeat ending. but as it is, it was a terrible choice. You can just about see what Akerman had in mind— which makes it the more painful to watch it misfire.

A tepid souffle of love, psychoanalysis and extravangan et design, Couch is what Akerman describes as a 'double fish out of water film". Hurt is Henry, a moody repressed New York shrink with an opulent Upper East Side apartment and a string of nagging patients. Binoche is Beatrice, a Parisian dancer with an army of flustered swains. They contrive to swap flats, which puts Henry among the chaos of Béatrice's life, and lands her — through a series of grinding misunderstandings — with his patients and his Labrador.

A lot depends on our buying the idea that Béatrice is a sparkling bundle of Parisian life who brightens the life of everyone she meets. From an American director, this would be bad enough, but Akerman should know better. The min-ute Binoche hits town, and in an accent Antoine de Caunes would wince at starts asking: "Please, what means 'booze'?" it's clear Akerman is on the wrong tack By the time Béatrice has set herself up as Manhattan's hip-pest shrink, the film has gone

irreparably askew. Akerman seems to have in mind the sort of brittle, urbane comedy that might once have starred Grant and Hep-burn (Katherine) in the 1940s. or even Astaire and Hepburn (Audrey) in the 1950s. She's ended up with a flat yet opulent variant on Green Card, with Binoche awkwardly filling the Gérard Depardieu part, and dialogue that seems hurriedly translated.

The cringe-making coup de grace comes as Binoche's taxi is pursued by Hurt's Labrador, and she sighs, "I'm getting tired of this dog." She knows whereof she speaks.



### Chechen peace deal on hold

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The peace plan remains un-Maskhadov, could control

James Meek in Moscow

HE Chechen peace process slowed down sharply yesterday when the Kremlin's envoy to Chechenia, Alexander Lebed, failed to sign a deal with separatist leaders and returned to Moscow. Fingers stayed on triggers in the adjacent armed camps of Russians and rebels, while plans for joint patrols of

their forces. The Russian commander pended co-operation with the separatists after a group of rebels disarmed a column of interior ministry troops mov-ing through Grozny on Satur-

day. The rebels seized more than 70 weapons.

Movladi Udugov, a rebel spokesman, apologised for the incident and said the weapons would be returned. Grozny were put on hold as doubts resurfaced over whether Gen Lebed or his rebel counterpart, Aslan Chechenia said the seizure rebels on Saturday needed wisdom says it only takes one in the years, to anow me term agreement yes stating sta

sultations about peace treaty documents, and that the proess itself was not at risk. The contradiction is another sign of the Russians weak chain of command and lack of accountability at the top which, combined with the rebel leaders' inability to con-

trol rogue bands, has de-stroyed past ceasefires. Gen Lebed signed a preliminary ceasefire with Gen Maskhadov on Thursday night and had hoped to sign a longer-term agreement yes-terday. But he said new pro-posals on Chechenia's future

Different Russian commanders in Chechenia yester-day accused the rebels of a multitude of ceasefire violations. One officer said rebel snipers were still at work — a Russian serviceman was shot dead in Grozny on Saturday afternoon. Despite tension in Grozny, however, a large Russian armoured column did pull out of the city's southern district of Shatoi.

Gen Lebed called the weapons seizure "a misunderstanding". Before leaving for

clear, but it envisages two

to satisfy both sides.

One Moscow source said
the issue of Chechenia's

### Parliament 'was misled' over closure of 24-hour benefits helpline

Martin Linton

HE Government was accused yesterday of misleading MPs and the public over the future of a 24-hour benefits helpline used by 48,000 desperate people every

A leaked letter from the Benefits Agency shows that a

"currently being examined" 10 weeks later. The letter from Benefits Agency chief executive, Peter Mathison, dated March 14 1996, gives staff a list of ser-

vices that will not be funded

after October 1. It includes the 24-hour telephone service run by the agency for people who are destitute and in urgent need, decision to close it was taken destitute and in urgent need, ability as ministers no longer on March 12 although MPs and the London Emergency answer questions about bene-

were still being told it was | Office, at the Elephant and | fits themselves, but pass on | tended to save £28 million as Castle. south London, which is open round the clock. News of the closure appears to have been withheld from Simon Hughes, who gave the

to have been withheld from MPs who asked questions in the Commons about the future of the emergency service at the end of April and again on May 21.

This could raise a tricky Peter Lilley, or the benefits office with ministerial accounts of ministerial accounts.

Simon Hughes, who gave the lettering social security penefits over the next five years. Mr Mathison said people would still be able to phone their local benefits office with queries, although welfare rights workers claim it is minister. Roger Evans.

an answer from the head of the Benefits Agency.

should resign.

The helpline closure is inby phone.

Russian brigades staying on new elections, and a referen-

dum on the territory's status. Although Mr Yeltsin insists it remains nominally part of rebels have demanded full in-dependence, some form of words will probably be found

status might be postponed for five years, to allow the territory to recover from the war.

part of a £400 million cut that Mr Lilley has demanded in the £3.2 billion cost of admin-

istering social security bene-

### another prison embarrassment

How a rethink on jail terms led to

Prisoners who were told seeking compensation.

programme late on Friday Wednesday night. It stood were left in limbo as Mr Tilt back for two days and let

July 1995: Prison director Derek Lewis discovers on tour of prisons that gover-nors are interpreting sentencing law differently. Tells ministers. October 1995: Working

party starts examining sen-tence calculation.

February 1996: Clarifica-tion project team set up to redraft sentencing manual.

THE LAST TEN DAYS Thursday 15: Prison Service director general Richard Tilt signs Instruction to Governors Number 50/96 ordering recalculations.

Friday 16: First news reachers prisoners at Hareachers prisoners at ma-verigg, Cumbria, who are told "pack your kit, you're going home early". Monday 19: Howard returns from holiday in US to be duty cabinet minister. Prison Service submits report on new guidelines to Home Office.

Wednesday 21: Richard Tilt sends memo to private of-fices of Howard and prisons minister Ann Widdecombe before leaving for holiday in Italy. It warns that
"some prisoners would be
released as a result of a
recalculation of their sentences" and this might "attract some attention" tract some attention".

worth Prison, London, at about 4.30pm. Haverigg Prison in Cumbria releases 33 prisoners that evening. Labour's prisons spokes-man George Howarth hears rumours of releases.

Thursday 22: Mr Howarth

asks for and gets full brief-ing on releases from Prison Service. Mr Howard spends morning briefing journalists on identity card and lunchtime being interviewed on radio and TV. Spends afternoon attacking Tony Blair and Harriet Harman over good GCSE results for their children's schools. First hears of prison releases late at night from Channel 4 journalist. Friday 23: Guardian breaks story of prison releases. With 86 out of possible 4,000 so far out of jail, Mr Howard seeks opinion from QC David Pan-nick. He disagrees with Prison Service legal judgment. At 7.30pm Mr How-ard speaks to Mr Tilt by telephone in Italy. On BBC Newsnight he announces he is suspending releases and implicitly blames Tilt: "I think I should have been consulted. I think it is extraordinary.

Saturday 24: Ann Widdecombe returns from walk-In afternoon Howard is briefing journalists on CS
Tilt decides to return from spray when first prisoner holiday in Italy.

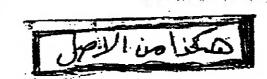


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Vivian Nathanson, (left) head of BMA ethics committee

### Pressure builds for 'frightening' surgery video to be banned

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be put out for profit by a profit-making operation."

that they would have

BMA fears seriously ill patients will be scared off life-saving treatment by harrowing footage

tients' groups yester-day condemned the makers of a video fea-turing live NHS surgery as pressure grew for the film to be banned.

The Video Standards Council said it would to advise its members not to stock the 50-

release today.
The film features excerpts from surgeons' training videos, including intimate gyn-aecological surgery, open heart operations, and penile and breast implants. The makers, IMC, claimed

it was informative and educa-tional, providing viewers with a unique insight into the

But the British Medical Association said it feared the film could frighten potential patients from seeking life-sav-

Vivian Nathanson, head of the BMA's ethics committee, said: "We urge people not to watch this video and doctors and patients are going to have to look at the contracts signed with the company to see how

it can be stopped.
"It is deeply distasteful and very worrying. This is the first time we have beard of

Guy Howland, of the Pa-tients Association, accused the company of exploiting the "It is outrageous. A number of patients have come into hospital, they have consented

taken upon them. As part of that they may also have agreed it could be used in the training of surgeons," he

What they have not agreed . is that this material be used for a home video." Meanwhile, the Video Stanfrom patients, none of whom were identifiable. David Donoghue, the company's media adviser, said: "There is absolutely no excuse at all for self-appoin watchdogs to go around say-ing the public should not be allowed to see something for

treating the concern of pa-tients' groups as a complaint. While it does not have the power to enforce a ban, the council could influence the which they are paying.
"It is absolutely a documentary about what goes on in stocking policies of shops.
He told BBC Radio 4's The serious education and infor-World This Weekend that dismation. All the documents tion was cleared by the Government's own watchdog, cussions with retailers had so far shown many reluctant to sell the film.

Gerry Malone, the Health
Minister, promised an investigation into claims that NHS the British Board of Film Classification."

The cover of Everyday Operation carries the warning: "This video contains scenes patients had unwittingly been involved. "If these are NHS you may find disturbing" bepatients who have not given their consent, I would like to fore boasting "over 20 brilliantly performed operations are vividly revealed". see the supporting evidence so that my officials can look After a short opening se-

quence featuring actors re-creating amputations carried into the matter promptly." he Labour called the film "disout centuries ago without anaesthetic, the film moves on to an operation on the brain. graceful" and said it breached the privacy of patients.
Nigel Griffiths, the party's consumer affairs spokesman, said: "People gave their per-mission for their operations to be filmed for medical training a round section of the cranium of a patient suffering from epilepsy before examining the tissues below.

of the operations such as given permission for them to treatments for incontinence and gall bladder removal. In-depth footage of intimat IMC insisted that all film-ing was legal and had been made with prior agreement gynaecological procedures is shown as well as a vasectomy and a penile implant

Diagrams accompany many



dards Council said it was Bunious are removed in a scene from Everyday Operations for six months following copy-



The BMA wants to keep the drama out of theatre such as this, where the only casts are plaster

#### Real life viewing for the video voyeurs

Executions (cert 18) right wrangles. It has since Released: June 1995 Features lingering close-ups of 21 violent deaths including a woman being stoned to death in Mogadishu and close-up of man writhing in agony after a firing squad in the Lebanon. The video was banned by

Barris Goulding of ICM said: "This film should shock mabour MP Roy Hettersley retorted: "Executions is not the indictment of capital pun-ishment which its producers claim. It is a 55-minute peep show of violent death."

re-released March 1996. Features grainy footage taken from close circuit TV cam-eras including couple having sex in a lift and shotgunwielding chaos in a bank.
It sold 6,500 copies in first
two days before being banned

sold hundreds of thousands of

Mr Goulding said: "We wanted a whole debate on the surveillance society." But the Guardian's review commented: "It would be laugh-able were it not so boring."

The Serial Killers (educational: no certificate) Released: August 1995. Features graphic first-hand accounts of serial murders. includes interviews with Harvey "the Hammer" Carigan and Arthur "Monster of the Rivers" Shawcross.

It was withdrawn after a Video Gems said: "Unbeliev- totally ashamed of myself."

able true borror from some of the most infamous sexual psy-chopaths." But MP Nigel Evans said: "Films are com ing in under the guise of edu-cation but they are going through sensational subjects to make a fast buck."

Soccer's Hard Men. Released: October 95. Features dirty tricks from behind the referee's back, pre-sented by self-styled hardman Vinny Jones.

Makers Video Vision Ltd said this was how hard men earned their "legendary repu-tations". But Jones exclaimed: "Now I have seen it and seen

### **Church raid** gives boost to Chirac

migrants evicted from a church sit-in were flown to West Africa aboard a military plane yesterday, President Jacques Chirac and his prime minister reaped an instant reward for moving against foreign migrants, with an opinion poll showing a clear boost to their popularity.

Anid claims from leftwing politicians that Mr Chirac

had pandered to racist voters by ordering Friday's violent end to the St Bernard's church sit-in, an opinion poil showed his popularity rating had increased by 3 per cent.

A military flight on Satur-day took 57 immigrants reportedly including four from the St Bernard's sit-in to Senegal, Mali and Zaire. But efter a series of court vic-tories against detention orders and a police about-turn, only a fraction of the 210 people arrested in the church raid were still in detention

last night. Six of the 10 hunger strikers — who were on the 50th day of their fast when the raid took place — walked away from the Vincennes detention centre east of Paris yesterday after police decided not to seek an extension of their cusseek an extension of their custody. A further three were released from hospital, and a 10th was quietly freed on Sat-

urday night, police said. Earlier, about 40 Africans were freed after a civil court ruled that police had made errors in custody orders. Including unauthorised signa-tures on documents. The tion for only 13 others.

court agreed to extend deten-A separate court sentenced three people to jail terms of up to three months, with a further four people receiving suspended prison terms.

ued across France, with a call for a further march in Paris tonight, the interior ministry announced that only 40 of the Africans (including one hunger striker) had been granted permission to stay. The others still face the threat of expulsion, and all have orders

to report regularly to police.
The occupation, which lasted almost two months, became the focus of national concern about immigration, race and unemployment. The 38 per cent "satisfaction" ratscored by Mr Chirac yesterday's Journal du Di- lion (28 billion).



Chirac: tough stand against immigrants lifts poll rating

linked to his hardline action Among supporters of the anti-immigrant National Front, his satisfaction rating was up by 28 per cent on last month. Among supporters of mainstream rightwing parties — the Union for French Democracy (UDF) and his own Rally for the Republic (RPR) — the increase was

10 per cent.
After an informal meeting with his prime minister, Alain Juppe, at the presiden-tial summer retreat of Bré-gançon in the south, Mr Chirac held firm to government policy on immigration, saying he wanted to send a potential immigrants. The French people, he said, regardless of their politics, felt a "growing irritation over

The meeting came amid gov-ernment fears of a troubled autumn session. While Mr Chirac's score is at its highest since March, and Mr Juppé inreased his own satisfaction rating by one percentage point
— to 31 per cent — both know benefits resped from the raid could be shortlived.

With unemployment at 12.5 per cent and more job cuts planned, the government fears a repeat of the strike action that paralysed the country last December. Income tax cuts are promised in the 1997 budget, but so are appeals for belttightening in the lead-up to the single currency.

Unpopular measures to reduce the deficit of the social security budget - which prompted last December's strikes — have saved only one-fifth of the target Fr60 bil-

### Tabloid claims royals staged snoop

Front-page picture of couple raises speculation about tip-off by Palace

Owen Bowcoti

THE royal family's campaign against press in-trusion was in danger of being undermined yesterday when a tabloid newspaper pictured Prince Charles with Camilla Parker Bowles outside a converted Welsh rectory, which they allegedly share

Far more damaging than the photographs — which simply showed the couple simply showed the couple with friends — was the suggestion by the News of the World, which published the photograph on its front page, that the tip-off came from within the royal circle. It claimed a "well-spoken woman" had telephoned to say Prince phoned to say Prince Charles and Mrs Parker Bowles would be staying at Glyn Celyn House, Powys. Later a contact reportedly rang back to say: "You'll have no trouble if you publish the pictures."

The remote Georgian house is owned by Nic Paravicini, a millionaire banker and Mrs Parker Bowles' former brother-in-law. His second wife, Sukie, is said to be a confidence of Mrs Parker Bowles.



Glyn Celyn House, near Brecon, and the front page of yesterday's News of the World

a decree absolute on

Wednesday.
There has been speculation that Prince Charles, aged 47, and his emonrage are trying to formalise his relationship with the 49year-old divorcee. Encouraging the press to photo-graph them together in a relaxed, rural setting, the News of the World claimed, was intended to break the

The tabloid's story comes just three days before the Prince and Princess's divvorce is formally sealed by a decree absolute on the private lives of the Royal Family, as this was," a spokeswant said. "We will continue to the private lives of the Royal Family, as this was," a spokeswant said. "We will continue to the private lives of the Royal Family, as this was," a spokeswant said. "We will continue to the private lives of the Royal Family, as this was," a spokeswant said. sider what action to take in the coming days. We have not ruled out any option. "We categorically deny that this was a photo-oppor-tr. nity conceived by the Pal-

ace." But the spokeswoman added: "I cannot speak for friends of the Prince.' If the pictures were arranged by the Prince's supporters, it would represent a severe setback to Buck-ingham Palace's recent attographers were told to stay away from the Bal-

If the latest pictures prove to be pre-arranged, they will again dent the royal family's attempt to attract public sympathy in its battle for privacy. A survey of senior Church of England figures,

revealed in yesterday's Sunday Express, indicates widespread disquiet about the Prince's conduct. Of 100 ruling General Synod, 57 did not think the royal family was upholding Church teachings. Many were teachings. Many were deeply disappointed that [Charles] seemed remorseless in breaching the seventh commandment: Thou shall not commit adults."





Lebed found an airfield, bribed an instructor four bottles of vodka to take him up, and on his first parachute jump, he fractured his spine. It did not put him off.

James Meek on Alexander Lebed

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'Revolving door' throws doubt on evangelical churches' revival

#### Madeleine Bunting on membership drain

the Christian church may have peaked, according to figures to be pub-lished this autumn.

The charismatic/evangelical churches which have boomed over the past quarter century, such as the Pentecostals, Baptists and the house church movement, are all suffering from the "revolving door" syndrome — the highest growth rates of any churches, but also the highest rates of drop-outs and

new members drop out.

HE evangelical revival per cent. It is the first drop which has transformed after a period in which the the Christian church movement mushroomed from nothing to more than 200,000 members. In 1989 there were 402 house churches; since reaching 743 last year, the number has remained static.

Bodybook's author, Peter Brierley, of Christian Research, notes: "Consoli-dation time for the charls-matic fellowships...seems

to have arrived."

Gerald Coates, leader of the Pioneer house church movement which publishes the Bodybook, insists this transfers to other the Bodybook, insists this churches. Almost a third of is a temporary blip. "You can't experience ongoing



revival of born-again Chris- | coined by those critical of a | lic and Orthodox — previ- | movement for 20 years tianity is tailing off and, | perceived rigidity in ques- | onely anothema. | spoke at Greenbelt, a year spoke at Greenbelt, a year after he launched his book The Post-Evangelical "Since the book, I've had hundreds of letters from

> In north-west Sussex the River Rother is low and the

new drought order to take

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tions of personal morality, Such trends were in evilack of honest questioning dence at the weekend's Such trends were in eviand shallowness of the Greenbelt Christian arts evangelical sub-culture. festival, which attracted According to the latest edition of Bodybook, which covers 13 of the biggest house church networks, adult membership of the movement has dropped by 6 calculated believed as to whether the movement has dropped by 6 calculated believed and transfer dence. The phrase was concept attracts of evangelical sub-culture. The concept attracts of the c

autumn.

News in brief

### Lloyd's plan 'agreed by 75pc of names'

THREE quarters of the membership of Lloyd's of London insurance market have accepted the terms of the £3.2 billion rescue package, it was disclosed yesterday. Lloyd's chairman, David Rowland, said he was confident the "overwhelming majority" of the 34,000 names would accept the restructuring plan by the deadline of noon on Wednesday.

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pian by the deadline of noon on wednesday.

Lloyd's made clear that the deadline still applied, despite an injunction blocking the plan granted to 33 US-based Lloyd's names by a court in Richmond, Virginia, late on Friday. A Lloyd's spokesman said the court had decided on an expedited annual — on Theodox— and pointed to provide deciding appeal — on Tuesday — and pointed to previous decisions appeal — on Tuesday — and pointed to previous decisions against the market which had been overturned on appeal.

The plan involves remsuring billions of pounds of liabilities in a new company, Equitas. Names will help pay for Equitas but are offered \$3.2 billion to offset this cost and end litigation.

#### **Hospital police station**

BRITAIN's biggest accident and emergency department, at Edinburgh Royal Infirmary, is to have its own police station, in an attempt to prevent attacks on staff by patients or their friends and relatives. It will open in a fornight and will be manned particularly on Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights, when violence is at its worst.

The department's clinical director, Keith Little, said the level of assaults and threats on staff, had become uncontrollable and was assents and direats on stan, had become incommendate and was affecting morale. On average there were two incidents a day requiring the police to remove someone. Nursing staff were most at risk, but he had faced a knife, had a golf ball thrown at him and had been hit and verbally threatened. A policeman had been slashed in the face, and a porter's wrist was broken when he went

to the aid of a nurse.

Dr Little said most incidents were caused by people who had been drinking. Young men were the worst offenders, but women were becoming increasingly abusive. The hospital is meeting the £10,000 cost of setting up the office.

#### 'More foreigners' in jails

ONE prisoner in 12 is a foreign national, according to a report today by the Prison Reform Trust. The number of foreigners in jails in England and Wales had reached 4,200 by the end of April — 6 per cent of the prison population. Since late 1994 the number had risen by 21 per cent, making it the fastest growing group.

Many faced language and cultural barriers and received no visitors, the report said. It called for new ways of dealing with foreign immates. Among the women, more than half were in jail

visitors, the report said, it called for new ways or dealing with foreign immates. Among the women, more than half were in jail for drugs offences. Many were "mules" who imported drugs from countries including Nigeria, Colombia and Jamaica. At the end of May 751, asylum-seakers and 475 immigration detainess were held in jail or detaining centres. — Duncon Compbell

#### Baby found dead on beach

A BABY found buried under the sand by children on a beach at Crimdon Dean, Co Durbam, may have died from neglect, police said yesterday. The girl, no more than three days old, had not been fed, nor had she received medical attention. Det Surp Devid Grey appealed for the mother to come for ward as she might need urgent hospital treatment.

A girl aged 13 and her brother, 12, raised the alarm on Saturday after spotting the beby's face in the sand. A post mortem was inconclusive, but Det Supt Grey said the she had been born at full term and had no injuries. He was treating the death as suspicious, but could not rule out a still-birth.

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#### Football manager on bail

LINCOLN City manager John Beck, arrested minutes before the his side's third division game against Leyton Orient on Saturday, has been released on ball. He was held by Customs and Excise officials after warming up with his players at Sincil Bank. It is understood he was questioned about an alleged tax fraud involving whisky. Six people arrested in connection with the inquiry

#### Seven share lottery jackpot

SEVEN ticket holders shared the National Lottery jackpot of £7,665,700 on Saturday, getting £1,095,100 each. The winning numbers were 8, 11, 14, 18, 33, 44, and bonus 34.

# Water 'scam' worries MP

Regulator urged to look at insurance against leaks

Michael White Political Editor

HE water regulator should investigate highly-profitable in surance schemes whereby some water companies persuade customers to spend up to £72 a year protecting their pipes against leaks for which they may already be insured, a

Labour MP said yesterday. Helen Jackson, MP for Shef-field Hillsborough and a longstanding campaigner against privatised water utility excesses, was speaking as fresh evidence emerged the poor are still suffering the health risks arising from disconnections because of unpaid bills.



Helen Jackson: inquiry call

which some companies charge to cover burst pipes occurring between the domestic stopcock and the boundary of the property where it joins

Part of the "unregulated" area of the industry, priva-tised in 1989-90, it allows in-surance companies to underprofit scam," according to Ms Jackson - run by several water companies, including Anglia, Bournemouth, South Staffs and Folkstone. "Why has the regulator allowed the operation to be outside the regulated core business, llowing companies to put this element of income straight into its unregulated 'fat cat' profits?" asked the MP, who discovered many household insurance achemo already cover frost-caused bursts. Ms Jackson's plea comes with a demand that all vater companies offer free leakage detection services to stop leaks which result in

like previous revivals, will be dissipated in internal

Bitter controversy has fo-

supply losses estimated at up to 25 per cent.
OWFAT says such a service
must be offered when meters
are installed. Ironically, it emerged yesterday up to 15,000 such meters are going to fam-ilies with bad payment records, as pay-as-you-use meters which result in "self-disconnection" by those unable to afford water. According to the Observer, the fall in disconnections from 10,047 in 1994-95 to 5,826 in 1995 96, masks a rise in self-

#### Underground reserves hit record low in South and Fast

DROUGHT is still forcing water companies into measures to conserve sup-plies and to seek drought orders, despite rain over the bank holiday.

The focus has moved from hard-hit Yorkshire Water to the south and east where aquifers, underground sup-plies, are depleted. Two aqui-fers in the Anglian region and one in Southern Water's area are at record low levels.

The problem has been caused by lower than average

rainfall from March 1995. Since then 15 of the 18 months have had below average mostly in the north-west water is making plans to pipe Large parts of the country face less draconian measures, mostly hosepipe and sprin-kler bans, or bans on what are called non-essential uses

shing cars. East Sussex, west Kent, Folkstone and Dover have had a such-a ban for many months.

Reservoirs, which in Yorkshire Water's area virtually dried out this time last year causing a spectacular emer-gency, are still far lower than average. The prolonged dry spell is now affecting aquifers to a critical extent. Water companies normally rely on winter rains to top them up but they were not replenished ufficiently.

Forty-one aquifers from which drinking water is drawn are reported below av-erage depth by the Environment Agency and three are at the lowest ever recorded level. The Brighton and Worthing area is particularly badly hit and a sprinkler ban More than 40 drought was imposed in May to con

### ARGENTINE REPUBLIC

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### Heart patients 'need better terminal care'

ANY people suffering from heart disease face unnecessary pain in their last years of life because lessons learned in the treatment of cancer sufferers are not being applied to other types of terminal illness, doctors say today.

Dramatic improvements in the care of the terminally ill have been made in the past decade, but ways of easing the suffering of heart patients have remained largely unexplored, according to a study the Journal of the Royal College of Physicians

"Although heart disease is that, in the last year of life, the major cause of death in heart disease sufferers frequently experienced painful specialist services for, care of patients with heart disease is negligible. Recently, there The researchers said: "It is of cares felt that the deceased cased patients, relatives and patients with heart disease is negligible. Recently, there have been calls for more at-tention to be paid to dying from causes other than cancer, and specifically from car-diac causes," say the researchers from University
College London.
Mark

Mark McCarthy, Margaret Lay and Julia Addington-Hall questioned families and carers of more than 600 patients 10 months after friends or relatives had died from heart

ome concern that hospital management of pain, dysp-noea (breathlessness), nausea or vomiting, and constipation was reported to have brought little or no relief to between a quarter and a third of patients suffering these symp-toms. Efforts to remove the cause of distressing symp-toms are likely to be worth-while in improving quality of

Despite these findings, relatives of 81 per cent of the pa-

patient had not been given as much choice in their treat-ment as they had wanted. Dr McCarthy and his col-eagues say: "Patients with leagues say: "Patients with heart disease are in some ways similar to patients with cancer: both face an uncer-tain future and cure of the underlying pathology is often not possible. It is time for the

ceased patients, relatives and carers said that 78 per cent of them were regularly in pain before they died. In 67per cent of younger patients, aged 15-55, the pain was severe enough to be "very distressing". For older patients this distressing level of pain was experienced by 38 per cent. The second most distress

ing symptom for patients in their final months of life was breathlessness. Many also suffered from depression,

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### Mas bands in Notting Hill

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Sunday was children's day at the carnival | weekend. It is not so much the processions they mind. and Sam Wollaston's ears are still ringing

of shimmering colour, feath-ers and gravity-defying bal- to country retreats for the

A BRIEF cloudburst dampened costumes but had little impact on spirits at yesterday's Notting Hill Carnival the biggest street festival in the northern

It was children's day, so the crowd was less than it will be for today's adult event. But the music was just as loud, and as much fun was had. And the faces peering out from the mas (short for masquerade) costumes were a lit-tle smaller and younger. There was the usual medley

of shimmering colour, feath-

ance: warriors and dancers, birds, and insects whose wings uncrumpled when the um came out after the rain. Soca, calypso and steel drums provided the sound-

This year, commercialism eems to have crept in, with a rery obvious Lilt present But most of the revellers eemed to be shunning the totally tropical taste in favour of old favourites: Heineken and Red Stripe.

or the steel drums, which per haps remind them of the Bahamas; it is all those blaste sound systems thumping out reggae on street corners. But the 45 sound system are the engine room of modern carnival, and now have their own competition. And

which are colourful and jolly,

few play reggae much these days; it is drum and bass, swing beat, ragga, house, garage and jungle.
Stand between two systems and somewhere in the middle of your head they slam into each other like exploding

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# Young 'have never had it so good'



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Charles Hendry: 'never a

Anger at Macmillan-style claim | achieving better exam | improvements have been | the way in which we teach | or vocational qualifications. | enough to help the under-achieved at the expense of de | modern languages. Young | that's great But a significant | achievers make use of what by Conservative vice-chairman

S 16-YEAR-OLDS envelopes to dis-cover their GCSE results last week, the vice-chairman of the Contonishing claim.

There has never been a better time to be a young per-son than in the Britain of 1996," said Charles Hendry, MP for High Peak and the senior Central Office figure

Not since Harold Macmillan won the 1959 general elec-tion, on the slogan that Britam had never had it so good, has such an apparently complacent message been brought into political service.

What truth is there in the proposition that young people are thriving as never before? Leaving aside today's alarming evidence from John Marks, the rightwing educationalist, that the average 11-year-old is nearly two years behind the expected standard in arithmetic, there is some

Results, 21.3 per cent of 16-year-olds in state schools year-outs in state schools achieved good passes in at least five subjects in the last year of O levels in 1987. In the following year, 25.4 per cent passed GCSEs in at least five subjects at grades A to C. which were supposed to be equivalent to an Olevel. By 1995 the proportion had risen to 38.7 per cent, and when this year's data is available it may

be close to 40 per cent. Similar improvements have been chalked up at A level and the proportion of school in arithmetic, there is some leavers going on to university support for Mr Hendry's belief that young people are though critics suggest these

achieved at the expense of de-valuing exam standards, Mr Hendry may be right to argue that educational prospects for young people in the top half of the ability range are better than ever before.

John Dunford, headmaster of Durham Johnston comprehensive and president of the Secondary Heads Association, thinks the improvement extends far beyond examination success. "There is no question that there has never been a better time to be at school. The comprehensive system has delivered the goods for young people without being given the credit,"

"We are producing far more opportunities for them. Take

modern languages. Young that's great But a significant people coming out of school minority are leaving school now with that background are looking at the whole of Europe as their potential job market. They may find it very difficult to get on the first rung of the ladder, but once they have their opportunities

David Hart, general secretary of the National Associa-tion of Head Teachers, thought conditions for young people were more mixed. "Mr Hendry is right for the major-ity, but he is wrong for a sig-

are tremendous whether it is in Brussels, Birmingham or

nificant minority.
"If you have good enough grades to lead on to higher achievement at 18 in A levels

Bordeaux."

with no qualifications at all, or qualifications which will be rejected by employers as largely meaningless. For them life is going to be

tough."
David Blunkett, the shadow education secretary, said Mr Hendry's boast displayed breathtaking ignorance. "The country has 650,000 young people under 25 who are out of work, out of education and out of training. A staggering 250,000 of them have been in that position for more than

six months. "It is the disparity between success and failure that worries me the most. It starts in

talents they possess

Douglas Trainer, president of the National Union of Students, said Mr Hendry's claim would also sound preposterous to those in higher education. "Between a fifth and a sixth of students are dropping out. Hardship is the number one issue. And now we are

sition of tuition fees. "It is ridiculous to sugges that young people have never had it so good. They are studying harder than ever be-fore because they realise heir opportunities are so limited. A qualification is no longer the passport to a job as it used to be when Tory minschool where we do not do isters were at Oxford.

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### **Grim prospect for school leavers**

#### Jobs

EENAGE school-leavers who who do not con-tinue their education face an uncertain and insecure future, according to the

Trades Union Congress.
In a report published last week it warned that young workers are exploited by employers and feel ignored by politicians and unions. The result is a generation sceptical of politicians and fearful

young people in the 1990s -dubbed the "lost generation"

terised by falling relative pay, a dwindling number of full-time permanent jobs and high unemployment

Although nationally there has been a fall in youth unemployment, the TUC claims this has more to do with demographic change than job creation. There are fewer young people today and more of them remain in education. More than 168,000 people under 20 were registered as unemployed in March 1995. Almost 125,000 had been out

of work for a year or more.

For young black people, the situation is bleak. One in three black school leavers faces life on the dole — twice the rate for their white

the national trend. Worst hit is London, with a 16 per cent increase in under-20s registered as unemployed since 1991. Nationally, youth unem-ployment has risen in 219 of the 635 parliamentary constituencies outside Northern Ireland.

the chances of being among the lowest paid are disproportionately high, concentrated as they are in low-wage sec-tors. For male full-time employees, the lowest-paid 10 per cent earn £2.60 an hour or less, while lowest-paid females earn £2.64 or less, according to TUC figures.

autumn 1995 found that 37 per In some parts of the cent of employees aged

with 15 per cent of all employees — while 16 per cent were employed in the low-paying hotels and restaurants sector. The TUC believes this means more than half of workers under 20 are in industries "typified by low pay, limited training opportunities, high rates of staff turnover and lit-

tle union protection These concerns are reflected in last week's report, Testament of Youth, which revealed that 50 per cent of workers aged 16-25 complain of unfair treatment at work. with low pay and poor treatment by management most commonly cited. With more than one in three earning less than £100 a week almost 80 per cent supported calls for a



Culture

better than Oasis' debate was not who wrote the better sones. It was seen as an attack on 90s youth culture by those people who teenagers thought had no right to criticise them — their

Drugs, body piercing, Adidas trainers, clubbing, television, divorce and schoolwork are familiar experiences to many. But computers and television dominate teenagers' lives. Ian McLeish, the editor of the teen favourite magazine TV Hits, says TV is one of the most important com-ponents of youth culture. "Television programmes are the main topic of conversation in school, you

thing to talk about."
Parents are allowing their children more free dom. With many teenagers taking part-time jobs, money is contributing to this freedom.

Fashion remains important with temporary with

tant, with toenagers still wishing to be categorised: the clubbers with tight Tshirts, wearing luminous colours and shiny or plastic materials, the indie kids, ardent followers of Britpop in baggy trousers, tracksuit tops and trainers and the label louts wearing any-thing from Ted Baker to Armani to Diesel.

Over 90 per cent of 13-18-year-olds go to the cinema. an increase of nearly 15 per cent over the past decade. Club culture has also ex-

ploded and DJs are revered as much as pop stars. Football has restored its credibility with men and women, providing pin-ups such as Ryan Giggs and Jamie Redknapp. "But it is not just that females fancy the players." the players," says Michael Hogan, assistant editor of girls magazine Just 17. "When we did a football trivia quiz, our readers got 90 per cent of the questions

right."
This love of football is part of the change in women's role in society. A study from the think-tank Demos entitled Freedom's Children commented: "Women are becoming more masculine, attached to risk, hedonism and living on the edge." This culture, with females enjoy-ing more independence than their mothers or grand-mothers did.

#### Charities' inquiry finds 'alarming' rise in young homeless

#### Housing

■OMELESSNESS among young, vulnerable people is increasing at an alarming of the independent, say is far rate, according to the results too little when temporary accommodation rents can reach

Unemployed and short of The inquiry was commis-money, thousands of 16 and sioned by 10 charities and 17-year-olds are sleeping on took evidence from 150 friends' floors, living in organisations and individ-squalid bed and breakfast uals. It does not put a national

times on the streets.

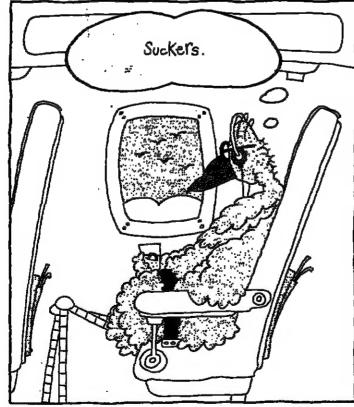
Even those entitled to benefits because they can prove they are estranged from their perents may receive as little as £28 a week, which inquiry members, headed by Andreas Whittam Smith, former editor

nearly 1,300 people under 25 estimated that 40 per cent of young people on the streets ran away from home or care fore they were 16.

The report says many young homeless people have problems, alcohol and drug left home because of abuse or neglect. They find it difficult to break out of the "no home, isolation."

problem but Centrepoint, ployers are unwilling to offer citing information from work when they have no fixed address, but without income, using its main shelters in they cannot afford accommo-London, said nearly four in 10 dation. Although few underwere 17 or younger. Most of 18s are registered as sleeping these were girls and many on the streets in regular spot-had no income. The charity checks in London, many say using hostels and shelters.

The report warns that povand often does, lead to health



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# Serious attitude . . . Daniela Cammack, who collected 10 GCSEs. She said the work ethic had been drummed into pupils but there were no guarantees of jobs PHOTOGRAPH: DON MEPHEE Hard work to make grade

#### Outlooks

Lucy Manning and Stephen Lyle

ANTELA Cammack is 16 years old and lives in Manchester. She has just received eight A stars and two As in her GCSEs.

"Teenagers are taking their lives a lot more seriously now. The aim is to try and get somewhere. My friends got really good GCSE results, but that is because our whole year worked really hard. At the same time, I've also gone out more now than I ever did.

"It is always drummed into us we have to work hard, so we will get jobs, but at the end there is no guarantee we will get anything." but that doesn't :
Peter Harris, from west going to get a job."

little regard for the law

that British teenagers have never had it so good. "I don't think the politicians really know what they are talking about. I'm 15 and I've been mugged three times already. Drugs are causing the prob-lems. I know lots of kids my age who take them. When I have been attacked, it's always been by people who are on them. You shouldn't feel

London, scorns suggestions

frightened to go out, but a lot of the time that's how I feel." Pessimistic about finding a job when he leaves school next year, he added: "I'm going to work hard for my GCSE's but I don't think they'll really help me to get a

Paul Smart, aged 16 from Hackney, east London, con-curred. "Tve just had my GCSE results and I got five,

Self employed businessman Jeremy Gillis, aged 18, left school last year. "I'm really enjoying life at the moment. I go out most nights and spend my money on eating out, clothes and going to pubs and clubs. We do have more freedom because there are now more places to go and things to do.

taken by 15-year-old Marisa

Vorayos, from Ladbroke Grove, west London. 'I love

being a teenager. I'm not that worried about getting a job. I want to be a stewardess and I

reckon as long as I work hard I'll get there."

"However, previously there was not as much pressure. Now you're expected to wear certain clothes and go to cer-tain places. There is also more pressure to stay on at school and get qual-ifications."

### **Under-25s say they have**

#### Crime

Stuart Millar

AHOME Office survey of youth crime levels — the first not based on police figures, which cannot record undetected spinors of the subdetected crimes — gives sub-stance to the impression of a generation with little regard

Young People and Crime, based on interviews with

involved in thefts or violent crime, while similar numbers admitted using drugs at some time. Seventeen per cent of boys and 13 per cent of girls aged 14-17 had been involved

aged 14-17 han been involved in property theft.
Involvement in crime was most likely to start at age 15 for both boys and girls—

The survey found that girls were just as likely to commit 2,500 young people aged 14-25. crime as boys but had grown out of it by their late teens, among those under 25.

Around 50 per cent of boys and a third of girls had been offending by their mid-20s.

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#### Age of first intercourse tumbles over the course of a generation

#### Sex

ONE of the most striking changes in teenage health risks is in the area of sexual about a year later than problems such as running away from home and truancy. Drug taking was most likely to start at age 16. fund — published in 1994, found a dramatic drop in the age of first intercourse.

course for men aged 55 to 59 was 20, while for those aged 16 to 19 it was 17. But among teenagers under 16 who are sexually active nearly 19 per cent of women aged 16 to 19 had sex before the age of 16, compared with just 1 per cent of those aged 55-59. Among men 28 per cent of the younger group had intercourse before 16, compared with 5 per cent of the younger group had intercourse before 16, compared with 5 per cent of the gent of with 6 per cent of the older

group.

This level of sexual activity is reflected in figures for teenage pregnancies and abortions, although the num-

#### News in brief

### 'Near-famine' in **North Korea**

A UNITED STATES congressman who has made a rare visit to North Korea said yesterday that many there were surviving on a near-famine diet. "People are terribly thin," said Tony Hall, a Democrat from Ohio and a House of Representatives expert on hunger and poverty who has travelled widely in Africa and Asia. "We were told that since January people have lost a

Asia. We were took that sale said.

minimum of 30lbs apiece." he said.

He said he visited the south-west bread basket area and saw
"thousands upon thousands of acres" of damaged crop land. "The rice does not look very productive and the corn is practically useless. There is a lot of malnutrition, rickets, diarrhoes." North Korea was hit by severe floods last year that destroyed large stretches of farm land and left 500,000 people homeless. It also suffered bad floods for a second consecutive year this summer. Mr Hall said he met officials who asked for more US humanitarian aid. He urged the US, Japan and South Rorea to donate more aid. — AP, Seoul.

#### Swimming ace stabbed

THE Russian swimmer Alexander Popov, a double-gold medallis at the Atlanta Olympics, was seriously ill in hospital yesterday after being stabbed on a Moscow street, Itar-Tass news agency said. It quoted police as saying that the 24-year-old, who has been the dominant force in sprint freestyle for the past five years, was stabled in south-west Moscow on Saturday night after an argu-

stanced in sount-west Moscow of Saturday right after an argu-ment with a roadside watermelon seller.

The head of the Russian swimming federation, Gennady Ale-shin, told Tass that Mr Popov's lungs and kidneys were affected and medical staff at the hospital said he had had surgery during

Mr Popov, who trains in Australia, retained his 50 and 100 metres Olympic freestyle titles in Atlanta, the first time a swim-mer has successfully defended at two Olympic distances. He was the first swimmer since the Tarzan star Johnny Weissmuller in 1928 to retain the 100-metre title, the blue riband Olympic swim-

#### Female UN chief sought

AN INTERNATIONAL women's organisation based in New York opened a campaign in 75 countries at the weekend to get a woman elected secretary-general of the United Nations. The organisation, Equality Now, has selected six candidates

from what it says is a pool of "many qualified women around the world". It is circulating posters to its 2,000 affiliated groups worldwide, with pictures of the candidates and the names and addresses of the Security Council delegates who must decide by the end of the year whether Boutros Boutros-Ghall will have

The Clinton administration has vowed to veto an extension for Mr Boutros-Ghali, but has not named an alternative caudidate. Equality Now's potential candidates are Gro Harlem Brundtland, prime minister of Norway, Frene Ginwala, speaker of the South African parliament; Sadako Ogata, the UN High Commis-sioner for Refugees; Navanethem Pillai, a South African judge on the Rwanda war crimes tribunal; Mary Robinson, president of Ireland; and Leticia Shahani, president of the Senate in the Philippines. — New York Times.

#### Kurd peace talks in doubt

ERITAIN offered on Saturday to host peace talks in London between two Kurdish factions in northern Iraq. But a ceasefire yesterday to end a week of fighting appeared in doubt.

The state department in Washington said last Friday that the Kurdistan Democratic Pariy and the Patriotic Union of Kurdistan had agreed to a truce.

Glyn Davies, the state department spokesman, said the KDP leader Massoud Barzani and the PUK's Jalal Talabani promised to meet Robert Pelletreau, the US assistant secretary of state in ber to seek reconciliation. — AP, London

#### Bodies pile up in strike

the government dismissed public service workers who went on a week-long strike for higher wages. President Robert Mugabe said he might use the strike to trim the civil service.

The Public Service Commission said on Saturday it had sacked thousands of the strikers — including nurses, junior doctors. mortuary attendants, magistrates, customs officers and fire fighters — for defying an order to return to work. "We don't take kindly to illegal strikes. Already the civil service is too large and this might be an opportunity for us to reduce it." Mr Mugabe said on return from a summit of southern African leaders in Lesotho

The government has been under pressure from international donors backing its economic reforms to slash the civil service which economists say is bloated and accounts for about 40 per cent of the GDP annually.

A Public Service Association official said up to 90 per cent of the

government's estimated 180,000 workers took part in the strike, a rare challenge to Mr Mugabe and his Zanu-PF party.

Bereaved relatives said they had been trying since last Tuesday to get documents to bury their dead. — Reuter, Harare.



Sisters of the Missionaries of Charity arrive at the Calcutta hospital yesterday where Mother Teresa is being treated for a serious heart condition. Doctors say she is slightly better, but not out of danger. Many thousand have joined in prayer for the nun, aged 85, known for her devotion to the poor PHOTOGRAPH: NEORLE-HATTACHAND

#### Circumcision ban urged

AN EGYPTIAN human rights group mourned the death yesterday of a 14-year-old girl after a circumcision operation and urged the government to ban the ancient but dangerous procedure. Amina Abdelhamid Mohammed died in a private hospital on Saturday after the operation, which involves the removal of some or all of the external genitalia. The government daily newspaper al-Ahram said she died from a haemorrhage and that the surgeon

According to research in 1995 by a national task force consisting of women, human rights activists, doctors and religious scholars, 80 per cent of Egyptian girls are subjected to the procedure every year. It can cause haemorrhaging, shock and sexual dysfunction. — Reuter, Cairo.

### 'Chinese missiles' in Pakistan

UNITED STATES intelligence officials believe that Pakistan is secretly building a factory to make medium-range missiles, using blueprints and equipment supplied by China, a development they

say raises the prospect of a new dispute with Beijing.
The factory, in a suburb of Rawalpindi, is expected to be ready within the next couple years to produce most of the main components of a missile modelled on the Chinese M-11.

The US has twice imposed limited economic sanctions on China for selling M-11 missile launchers and components to Pakistan, lifting them when China promised to halt deliveries. It might respond to the missile factory by imposing broad economic sanctions on both countries.

Intelligence officers believe Pakistan may have developed nuclear warheads for the M-11s, enabling it to match India's Prithvi missile, which can carry nuclear warheads. — Washington Post.

### DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION: President plans new deals to shake off internal dissent

# Aiming for a gun-law hit

Martin Walker in Chicago

HE Democratic Party convention opens here today with President Clinton determined to keep the political spotlight on himself and the new policies he is unveiling this week and away from the delegates' mutinous mutterings against his enactment of the Republican

welfare bill.

There is some tension in the party, and it is fresh," he acknowledged yesterday as he began four days of whistle stop train campaigning that will take him through the heartland states to Chicago. Jesse Jackson, one of the party's most charismatic fig-ures on the left, said: "I will ertainly talk about welfare part of what this party is about."

Demonstrators outside the hall, and a strong contingent The protests are likely be

which ends 61 years of federal commitment to last-resort care of impoverished children and their mothers.

The commitment was part of President Roosevelt's New Deal, which was launched in Chicago at the 1932 Democratic convention.

This is the biggest cloud hanging over the this week's coronation of Mr Clinton as his party's candidate, the first incumbent Democrat since Posswelt to be nominated. Roosevelt to be nominated without an internal party challenge. The welfare issue cuts almost as deep into Democrats as abortion does into Republi-

cans, but the Democrats are unikely to be as tamed by their party managers. Even Senator Chris Dodd, the party chairman who will nominat Mr Clinton for re-election, voted against the welfare bill.

of re-election as any since President Lyndon Johnson's convention in 1964. The latest opinion polls show Mr Clinton eight to 10 points ahead of his Republican challenger, hideously divisive and vio-

will announce a toughening of the gun control laws today. Bob Dole. The entire party of the gun control laws today. knows that any replay of the Tomorrow he has a new eduhideously divisive and vio-lent 1968 convention would plan to unveil On Wednesday

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comfortable double figures,

only help the Republicans. 'I am supporting the ticket. no question, because the al-ternative is Dole in the White House and Newt Gingrich running Congress," added Mr Jackson, who addresses the

convention tomorrow. This is bigger than just the presidency. It is about the ap-pointment of judges, about affirmative action and social

They are nervous of falling short of the Republicans' choreographed success

> mental programme. In his formal acceptance speech to the convention on Thursday, he will try to dampen the welfare revolt with new job-training and jobcreation measures and new grants to let welfare recipients return to school.

His announcements today and tomorrow will be beamed by satellite to the convention

speech by Sarah Brady, a tire less campaigner for gun control since her husband James was permanently disabled in the 1981 assassination attempt on President Ronald Reagan.

Mr Clinton will take credit for passing the popular Brady bill, named after Mr Reagan's then press secretary, which makes anyone wanting to buy g handgun wait five days. He will announce a ban on the high-power bullets known as "cop-killers"; and add convicted spouse abusers to those forbidden to own handguns.

Sarah Brady will be joined on the convention stage by

on the convention stage by Christopher Reeve, the Superman actor confined to a wheelchair by a a riding accident and now campaigning for spinal injury research. Hugely popular because of his courageous battle to recover. Mr Reeve will be in a parade of heroes including the Chi-

of delegates inside, are apmuted in a party as confident. Mr Clinton, determined at hall Tonight's statement will cago policeman Mike Rob-palled at Mr Clinton's enaction of re-election as any since least to match the Republication with a convention bins, shot nine times, who bins, shot nine times, who killer bullets. Without a retired general

Colin Powell to offer the prime-time television audience, and with a highly controversial Hillary Clinton to follow Elizabeth Dole's stellar performance, the Democrats are intensely nervous of fall-ing short of the Republican convention's choreographed

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Mr Dole flew into Chicago yesterday to speak at a Republican picnic and steal some Domocratic thunder. But he is already backing

away from his much-ridi-culed promise of a 15 per cent tax cut. Yesterday he said: "The balanced budget amendment is going to be number one — balancing the budget by 2002 — and tax cuts are going to be number two."

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#### City of bears and bulls. gangsters and party bosses

Bob Dart In Chicago

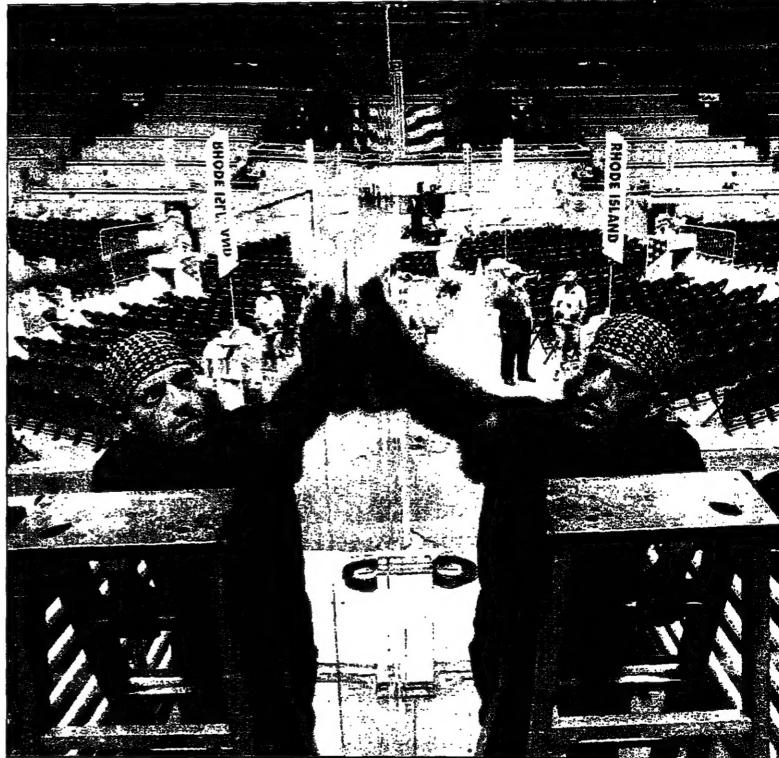
HIS is the town where Oprah Winfrey works and Ferris Bueller took his day where Al Capone and Richard Daley were bosses, where the Blues Brothers sang and Michael Jordan oars. It is the favourite city for political conventions.

When Democrats convene here today, it will be the 25th time the city has hosted a Democratic or Republican convention. The political term 'smoke-filled room" origismoke-fined room origi-nated in Chicago — when Republican Party bosses hud-dled in a hotel picked Warren Harding as their presidential nominee in 1920, after dele-gates deadlocked.

Abraham Lincoln was nominated for president in Chicago. Franklin Delano Roosevelt was nominated here twice. Chicago is where Republicans convened in 1958 to heal a country that had been divided by civil war. A century later, the deep divisions over the Vietnam war were exposed by bloody street demonstrations outside the Democratic convention.

But Chicago, which the poet arl Sandburg called "hog Carl Sandburg called "hog butcher for the world", is as much an icon of American popular culture as of politics. Moviegoers know it as the setting of films ranging from The Sting to Home Alone. The roller skate was invented here, along with zip-fasteners, pinball machines, drivethrough banks, television remote controls and Playboy magazine. The first McDon-

ald's opened here in 1955. Hillary Clinton grew up in its suburbs and later made a killing in its cattles futures market. Chicago is home to the Bears and Bulls and Cubs and White Sox, and Wrigley's chewing gum and deep-dish pizza. And now, after a 25 year absence, it is a city to which the Democrats have returned. — Cox News



A mirror on the podium in Chicago's United Centre gets a final polish yesterday before the Democratic convention opens today Photograph: ROBERT BUKATY

### Prescott woos Labour voters in US Immigrant trap

Tony Blair's deputy waxed lyrical about Clinton as he opened a new party branch with a little help from old Democratic friends, writes Martin Walker

NEW branch of the British Labour Party was formally opened in Chicago yesterday by John Prescott, the deputy party leader, and by the Democratic Party chairman. Senator Chris Dodd, to symbolise the growing closeness of the two parties closeness of the two parties across the Atlantic.

Mr Prescott, fresh from opening a Labour Party

branch in Boston last week, was part of an all-party del-egation of 47 British MPs, MEPs and officials to the Democratic convention.
With new branches in the

United States, Australia, Cyprus and all the European member states, this year's Labour Party conference will be asked to amend its constitution to give overseas members a formal role in the party's affairs.

"A lot of seats were won by the Tories in the last election with majorities smaller than the oversees vote, so we want to register our supporters overseas and get them postal bal-lots," Mr Prescott said

"But there is also a growing convergence in political debate throughout the Western economies about Blair government in lion jobs here in the US, but the fundamental issues of job creation, job training

and job insecurity. You cannot Clintonise British politics, but this convergence is bringing the American political experience much nearer to us. And in some very impressive ways, this debate is being pur-sued much more vigorously in the US than it is in

Mr Prescott and Mr Dodd are old friends, since working together on joint US Party presence at the Congress and European Republican convention in Parliament hearings on tor-

Labour pollater Philip Gould worked in the Clin-ton campaign headquarters in Little Rock. Mr Prescott's open enthusiasm for the American connection is far less known, after his sceptical remarks during the last leadership election about the fashion for "Clintonising" the Labour Party. Labour's open courtship of the Democrats contrasts with the low-key Tory

Blair's own meetings with the Clintons in Washington this year to the regular US visits of Labour's shadow chancellor, Gordon Brown,

who was due to arrive in Chicago late last night. In

the 1992 US elections, the

You can get inspired to lift your head out of the trenches and talk about ideas'

ture in Argentina in the lafter the Clinton adminis-late 1970s. Mr Prescott has tration's open distaste for stayed at the home of the new Democatic Party chairman and campaigned for him in each of his last three Senate elections.

This reinforces a determined effort by the Labour Party under Tony Blair to forge a series of personal Anglo-American special relationships, with an eye on the prospect of a re-elected Clinton administra-tion working closely with a

tration's open distaste for the zealous support shown by Conservative Party offi-cials for President Bush's

re-election in 1992.
"It's quite important that
the transatiantic political
dialogue is conducted between people who are per-sonal friends," Mr Prescott sald. "And there is a let in the Clinton administration for Labour to admire. He may not be getting much credit for creating 10 mil-Britain. It is an ex The ties range from Mr performance.

politics, and the way he counters negative campaigning with instant rebuttals, in a way we per-haps did not do well enough in 1992. We are seeing fero-

cious negative campaigning in Britain now, and we have to deal with it."

Armed with the latest issue of The American Prospect, a sceptically Clin-tonite political journal which has become an important forum for new Democratic thinking, Mr Prescott waxed lyrical about the quality of the American political debate. "I read that and I really

felt quite good about poli-tics, about the intellectual perspective of what we should be trying to do. You can get inspired to lift your head out of the political trenches and talk about ideas. The debate here in the US is very impressive and very relevant."
The Liberal-Democrats

are determined to maintain their own traditional links to the Democratic Party and have sent a delegation to Chicago led by Sir David Steel. The Conservatives have sent Fergus Montongomery MP, and two offi-cials from Central Office, Andrew Cooper and Stephen Gilbert.

The 47-strong British contingent is by far the largest among the 650 guests registered with the international visitors' forum of the National Dem-ocratic Institute.

# "We also have something to learn from Clinton's in welfare act

Christopher Reed in Los Angeles

HE welfare reform act President Clinton signed last week has strengthened Proposition 187. the anti-immigrant measure in California widely criticised as racist and ruled unconstitutional by the courts.

The measure, passed by a 3-

2 majority in 1994, prevented most illegal immigrants in the state from receiving public services, such as educa-tion and health. But the courts blocked it as

an unconstitutional attempt by the state to usurp federal control over immigrant affairs. The courts lose that author-

ity under the welfare act. "The new law has enacted much of what Prop 187 sought to accomplish, perhaps even more," said Daniel Kilky, the legal affairs adviser to California's Republican governor. Pete Wilson, who supported

Mr Wilson is to issue an executive order this week directing state departments to comply with the new law, which removes federal guarantees of unemployment and other benefits in force for

more than 60 years.

Many benefits could evaporate at state level, but banning illegal immigrants from state schools in California remains open to a legal

A group of liberal lawyers who successfully fought Prop 187 met at the weekend to discuss the implications. They hope to find loopholes in Mr Wilson's directive which will allow them to launch new assaults. But the state is also likely to return to court with the argument that the welfare act removes barriers to state action against immigrants, whether they are legal or

illegal. The state assembly speaker, the Republican Curt Pringle, said: "The spirit of 187 was about ending the draw of welfare and the special treatment that attracts people here, and which gives special treatment to those who broke the law by their presence." Opponents say the overwhelming majority, mostly from Mexico and central America, come for work and represent an over-all benefit to California, their favourite destination.

Like Prop 187, the new federal law requires verification of citizenship for those who apply for public benefits, and removes the right even of legal immigrants to claim welfare payments and food stamps, even though they pay or have paid taxes. States are also given the option of ban-ning them from receiving medical services.

Jane (Britishment)

In the future, illegal immigrants are likely to receive emergency medical care only: soup kitchen food and shortterm help in catastrophes such as earthquakes.



The heirs of Edward III's archers returned to a Picardy hilltop yesterday determined to show that when it comes to the art of historical reconstruction, the English still come out on top.

**Alex Duval Smith reports** from a rain-soaked battlefield in Crécy-en-Ponthieu



# Another string to the Cressy bow

Edward III's disci-plined archers sacred 20,000 disorganised Frenchmen, the English returned to Crecy yesterday, determined to prove their superiority all over again.

At the English base camp, on top of the Picardy hill from which the English longbowmen showered arrows at Philippe VI's forces on August 26 1346, reports came in of slapdash Continental behaviour.

Gary Robinson from the

there would be no crossdressing, but there are loads of women knights,"

IX HUNDRED and | said the 25-year-old factory | please Andrea Hubbard, | worker from Norwich. Joan of Arc wasn't born until around 1412, he said, and no thanks, while in uniform he wouldn't have a cigarette, because Europeans didn't take up smoking

until the 16th century. By the cauldron, hanging over an open fire, knights were adjusting their armour while Pat Coleman, aged 51, supervised the vegetable pottage.
"It's made from split

peas, cabbage, onions, wine and, well, anything you can lay your hands on. In those Norwich & Norfolk Medical Street Stre so the lads get some nour-ishment," she said. This concession failed to

who never wears under-wear when she attends reconstructions. "There's no reference to women wearing underwear in the 14th century," she said, prompting Mrs Coleman to confess to wearing a bra. Mrs. Hubbard's husband

Morgan had set up his own medieval-style tent across the field. To this Norwich shoemaker, medievalism is a business. It takes him a day to make a pair of shoes. They are flat-soled. "Heels didn't come in until the 16th century," he said.

"I used to work in the Start-Rite factory. As soon as I joined the medievalist society, they wanted me to make shoes, and I haven't looked back."

Mr Hubbard fans of the Middle Ages in Germany, Switzerland, France and Belgium. In a spare moment, he made a pair of spectacles for a member of the Norwich group.

"They're really practi-cal," said 27-year-old Mark Bedford, showing off a creation worthy of the Flintstones: prescription lenses set in a piece of bull's horn and tied around his head with leather thongs. John of Luxembourg. King of Bohemia, could

have done with a pair when he came to Crecy - spelt Cressy in English — on a rainy day 650 years ago. Known as John the Blind and an ally of Philippe VI, he died after insisting on

him on to the battlefield. | strapped on his 7st armour, He was greeted by a shower of arrows from the English and Welsh longbowmen, disciplined and sufficiently used to rain to keep spare bowstrings under their caps, guaran-teeing a taut bow the mo-ment battle began. The evalist society in Britain — were demonstrating a french cavalry, they say, had too many individualistic knights who refused to obey orders. The foot soldiers had only cumbersome and slow crossbows.

This weekend's historic ally accurate weather pro-vided a special challenge to 25-year-old Arnold Triss, a computer salesman who is one of 12 knights in the 30-

strong Norwich society. he died after insisting on "You have to be careful of fectly good disinfectant," six of his knights carring rust," he said as he said Mrs Douglass.

Elsewhere in the English camp, 240 other Britons were busying themselves in a medieval kind of way. Women of the White Com-

dance and playing music on replica instruments. Julie Douglass and Iwons Regini, both in their thir-ties and from Bristol, were demonstrating the use of a

Since these mugs are on sale to the general public, we have glazed the inside. In medieval times, there was no need for glaze; fo-mented urine made a per-

In the village, historical with impunity. Members of an Italian marching band were seen wearing shoes with rubber soles.

But Crécy is famous for little else besides losing the 1346 battle — the first of the Hundred Years War so Jean-Claude Brasseur. organiser of the weekend event, felt that some conessions had to be made. "The event has been great for the village.

hough the weather disappointing. Everything was done voluntarily. Local traders discovered new customers. "Children spent a year

making more than 400 cos-tumes. I think we shall do it

### Officer held in child inquiry

Stephen Bates in Brussels

OUNTING suspicions that the paedophile gang accused of Bel-gium's worst sex crimes against children may have had official protection appeared to receive some confir-mation last night as a police inspector was arrested.

Georges Zicot, an officer in the southern town of Charle-roi, became the seventh suspect to be detained. Belgium has been convulsed by revelations that a builder in the town and his associates abducted teenagers and allowed two imprisoned girls, aged eight, to starve to death.

It was alleged last night that Mr Zicot had turned a blind eye to intelligence reports that Marc Dutroux, aged 39, might be involved in the disappearance of chil-dren, and that he had earlier been suspected of involve-ment in protection rackets. If true, the allegations open

the prospect that a number of policemen may be involved. The Belgian media were spec-ulating last night that senior officers must have known what was going on.

There has been increasing concern in the country since the release of two teenage girls from a dungeon at Mr Dutroux's home, and the dis-covery of the bodies of Messa Ŕusso and Julie Lejeune in the back garden of another of his homes.

Police searched Mr Dutroux's home several times while the girls were incarcerated in the cellar and have even admitted having it under surveillance last year when he kidnapped another two teenage girls. An Marchal and Eefje Lambrecks, who have still not been found. Mr Dutroux, his wife, a

odger, a Brussels estate agent, a Greek and another Belgian man have been charged with abduction or criminal association. Dutch police are holding a man, aged 74, on suspicion of of An and Eefje. Belgian radio said that 40

officers, with excavation equipment and dogs trained to find bodies, yesterday moved into the property of a German known for close contacts with Mr Dutroux.

Earlier in the weekend, the prosecutor in the inquiry, Mi-chel Bourlet, suggested on television that he might not be allowed to extend his inquiries as far as he wished.

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#### News in brief

#### Jordan curbs study in Iraq

Iraq for domestic bread riots will not let Jordanians study in Baghdad this year under an Iraqi university scholarship programme, officials

danians who studied in Iraq were involved in this month's riots. Amman has also told three Iraqi embassy employ-ees to leave. — Reuter.

#### PM effigy burnt

Students in Bogra, northern Bangladesh, fought police and burned an effigy of the prime minister, Sheikh Hasina, who was visiting the area, during a strike to protest against the killing of students by police. - Reuter.

#### Jail without trial Thousands of people held in Nigerian prisons have not been tried and languish there for years before courts hear

their cases, a Nigerian human rights group, the Con-stitutional Rights Project,

#### Rebel abductions Christian fundamentalist rebels of the Lord's Resistance Army fighting to over-throw President Yoweri Mu-seveni abducted 50 girl pupils

Mutiny victims A mutiny aboard the Hondu-

police said in Seoul. — AP.

A methyl alcohol dilution of Chinese spirits killed 35 people and caused 192 cases of alcohol poisoning in Yun-nan province, southern China, a newspaper report said. Ten people were ar-rested last week for diluting an unspecified amount of

### Jordan, which has blamed

said yesterday. King Hussein has said Jor

### More than 100 pilgrims

#### Casino fire deaths Eight people died yesterday in a blaze at a Moscow casino which the fire service said might have been started deliberately, Interfax news agency

in a raid on a school in north-ern Uganda, the state-owned Sunday Vision newspaper reported. — Reuter.

ras-registered tuna fishing vessel Peskamar-15 has left at least 11 crewmen, including seven South Koreans and three Indonesians, dead in the Pacific Ocean, maritime Lethal spirits

spirits with three tons of methyl alcohol. — AP.

### Troops struggle to save frozen Kashmir pilgrims

Suzanne Goldenberg

NDIAN troops fought yes-terday to rescue thousands of stranded pilgrims along a perilous 30-mile mountain trail, ferrying the weakest to safety by helicopter and leading the able-bodied down by

have frozen to death since Thursday after the annual yatra, or pilgrimage, to the cave of Amarnath in the northern state of Kashmir was hit by torrential rains and more than a foot of snow. The arduous trail ascends to more than 12,000ft, and temperatures plunged below zero after the

storms struck.

Some 70,000 pilgrims are still stranded on the trail, albeen led to lower ground at Thursday, while officials put the weekend, including 2,000 | the toll at 121.

who were ferried to the Kash-mir capital, Srinagar, and other towns yesterday by three military helicopters. Helicopters dropped warm clothing, blankets, food and first aid kits to the pilgrims who were still on the trail. Many of the devotees wore only light clothing, and some

ing of ash. About 60 people who were having breathing problems at the high altitudes were flown to safety. "The priority was to bring back ailing pilgrims," a state government spokesman, K. B. Jandial, said.

were naked except for a coat-

The trekkers were among 110,000 Hindu devotees who had come to worship at the cave of Amarnath, which con-Some 70,000 pilgrims are still stranded on the trail, although most are believed to be out of immediate danger. A military spokesman said last night that 30,000 pilgrims had said 160 people had died since the first said as a representation of the god Shiva. The 30-mile trek normally takes five days.

The pilgrimage has offi-cially been cancelled. But the extent of the summer storms means that even pilgrims who had not yet left the starting point of the trek, at the town of Pahalgam, are now stranded Floods have washed out all roads to the town, and even the sole road link beween Srinagar and the rest of

India has been closed because The storms put paid to what had been expected to be the best attended Amarnath pilgrimage for years. The crup-tion of a Kashmiri separatist uprising in 1989 had politi-cised the yaura, and it became a target of Islamist groups.

Last year, an Islamist group banned the pilgrimage, en-forcing its edict by staging two bomb attacks despite the deployment of thousands of troops along the route.

#### Last night, Kashmiri sepa-ratist leaders said they were shocked at the heavy toll, and offered condolences to the families of the dead.

### Israeli president heads queue for Arafat talks

HE Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat, appeared yesterday to have Israeli leaders queueing up to meet

A morning announcement that Ezer Weizman, Israel's outspoken and unpredictable president, would be inviting Mr Arafat to his home, was followed later in the day by a report on Israel television saying that Binyamin Netan yahu — the hardline prime minister who has so far disdained such a tête-à-tête
would also meet the president
of the Palestinian Authority.
"As of now, President Weizman, Prime Minister Netanyahu and Defence Minister Yitzhak Mordechai will meet within two weeks with Yasser Arafat," Israel television said.

Mr Weizman made it clear that it would go ahead with or without the prime minister's

The meeting was to take place within a formight at Mr Weizman's private residence in Caesaria, on the Mediterra-nean coast. It was unclear last night whether this would still be the venue if Mr Netanyahu were involved.

Last Thursday, Mr Netanyahu was obliged to telephone
President Hosni Mubarak of

Egypt to reassure him that talks would resume soon. Mr Mubarak had earlier warned that November's scheduled Middle East economic summit could be postprogress in the wider search for peace.

meeting to assuage Mr Ara-fat's chagrin at being snubbed by Mr Netanyahu. Mr Netanyahu's point of view, when the self-rule Pal-estinian Authority ordered the closure of two offices in

Mr Netanyahu has edly accused the PLO of violating the peace accords by maintaining institutions in the city. Israel, which cap-tured and unilaterally an-nexed East Jerusalem, says that despite its promise to discuss the future status of the city, it will remain for ever its united and exclusive

property.

The closure of the two obscure offices is unlikely to end Israeli claims that the PLO is operating illegally in Jerusalem. But the Palestin-ians clearly hope it will put pressure on Israel to impleponed if there was no sign of ment its long-delayed promise progress in the wider search to remove most of its occupation troops from the flash

Mr Weizman was believed Yesterday brought a more point West Bank city of to have agreed to his original welcome development, from Hebron.

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### **Tiptoeing over** troubled waters But where is Bill Clinton going?

THE DEMOCRATIC convention this week marks Rill Clinton's personal mid-term: between the first presidency which now draws to a close and the second which dency which now draws to a close and the second which he is still favourite to win. (Bob Dole's convention "bounce" has already begun to look less substantial in the latest polls). Mr Clinton, as well as America, lies "between hope and history" — the title, horrowed from a poem by Seamus Heaney, for his new book of speeches. The high hopes of change with which he arrived in 1992 have been toppled by a shortfall of personal commitment and a shortage of congressional grupport. His second presidency, with no further election support. His second presidency, with no further election ahead, will fix his place in history. Chicago could offer him the chance to restate his vision and recommit his energies to a more ambitious programme. That is how the campaign managers will seek to project his acceptance speech on Thursday. He will talk of a new technological challenge which is producing the most rapid change since the US made the transition, a century ago, "from the agricultural to the industrial age." He will call for a new campaign to "mend the fabric of family and community"; he will speak of opportunity and responsibility. He will identify crime, education and the environment as prime targets for the second term. But can America really expect a meaningful declaration of intent after four years in which Mr Clinton has learnt the hard way to trim goals and dodge obstacles? He is not the first president to have been compelled to do so by an adverse shift of congressional power, yet it was always more dificult than his many admirers would admit to discern the substance behind his engaging but fuzzy image. For all the rhetoric about the next millennium, this is a fundamentally conservative, post-visionary age and Mr Clinton expresses it

It would require a huge leap of imagination, and a massive infusion of confidence, to elevate substance over soundbite during this week's proceedings. Yet the danger for the Democrats is that their convention will have the same switching-off effect as the Republican affair two weeks ago. The speech planned for tomorrow by Hillary Clinton is seen as a move to "showcase" the First Lady, in an attempt to outdo Elizabeth Dole's performance in San Diego. Where the Republican organisers had blacks and party moderates to present a more viewer-friendly face, the Democrats will have "citizens", of more and less famous varieties, to show how Mr Clinton is in touch with the common person. The US media may be constrained from cynicism by Christopher Reeve's appearance in the opening proceedings tonight but their patience will not last long. The New York Times and other leading newspapers have already signalled their priority: to discover "whatever happened to liberalism" and — with the Democrats split down the middle on welfare - to "look for signs of dissent on the left." Just as the Republicans kept their vote-alienating conservatives out of sight, so the Democrats will seek to squelch any more progressive or questioning voices which might upset middle America.

The spurt of policy pronouncements last week offers a good sample of Mr Clinton's style and substance. There was one relic of the Old Democrats (an increase in the minimum wage) and one model of the New (his disturbingly illiberal measures on welfare). There was a bill on expanding access to health insurance which falls far short of the original 1992 goal of insuring all Americans. He also approved regulations cracking down on cigarette sales to young people. There was a 50th birthday party which attracted more attention than anything else. And, with the sentencing of good friend Susan McDougal, an unwelcome reminder of

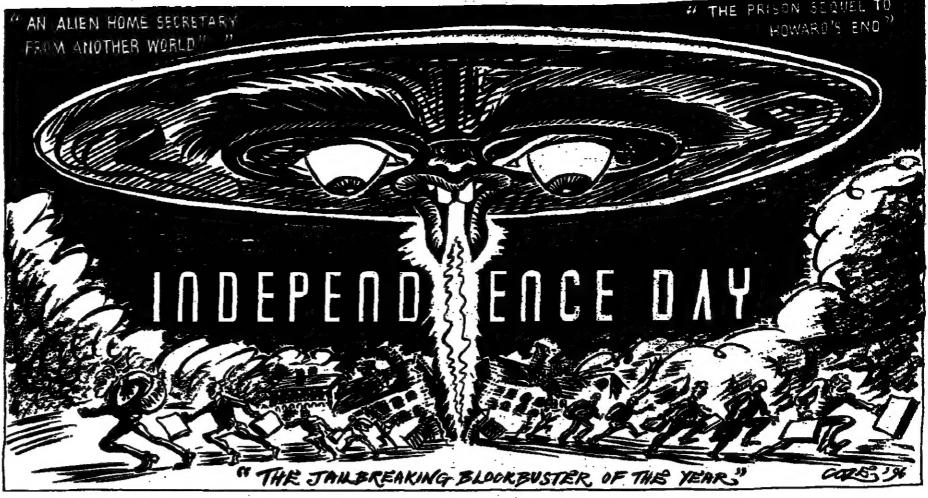
Confused? So are we all. Former New York governor Mario Cuomo (whose liberal voice will not be heard at the convention) says that Mr Clinton is tiptoeing across the troubled waters, one stone at a time. It's a good description, but does anyone knows what lies on the

### **Diving for cover**

The evasions of Michael Howard

COMPARE the contrasting approaches of a public servant and a politician to an identical scandal. Prison officials are told by Home Office lawyers they have been miscalculating inmate release dates for perhaps 30 years. Prisoners who are serving consecutive sentences should have the time spent on remand deducted from each sentence - not just one. What happens? Instructions are sent out to all 140 prisoners in the system to reexamine release dates; notices of possible earlier release dates are posted in jails; governors concede that prisoners held beyond their lawful release date should receive compensation; inmates begin emerging early from prison gates; an official explains to the press: "It was an issue of natural justice . . . having been advised we were breaking the provision of the Act, we had a duty to put it right." Enter the Home Secretary. Initially he goes along with the same advice, but then, as the political storm mounts, he takes the oldest route in the game: if at first your lawyer gives you unpalatable advice, change your lawyer. Armed with an opposing legal opinion he has frozen the release programme and asked the courts to resolve the issue.

Michael Howard is not responsible for almost 30 years of legal misinterpretation of consecutive sentence release dates. He has only been Home Secretary for three years. He may even be absolved from blame for failing to announce this change in operational policy. He claims he only heard of it from the media. But what is undeniable is Michael Howard's readiness to duck responsibility - and his unreadiness to take tough decisions. Unable to turn to his public servants to continue 30-year-long miscalculations he now turns to the courts in the hope of persuading them. Logically and morally — the Home Office lawyers' interpretation of the release date looks right if prisoners are entitled to remission on each consecutive sentence, then logically they should be entitled to the deduction of remand time as well. This is not a change in policy but a change in how policy is applied. The reason why Mr Howard was not consulted was because of his very own responsibility-ducking doctrine of divided prison department accountability: prison officials being responsible for did not live in vain. anything that happens in them (operations), ministers merely responsible for policy. It is no use him whingeing now. He devised the doctrine.



#### Letters to the Editor

### boo John

DWARD Said (He won't legag me, August 23) now has the unique distinction of being losthed both by Zionists and the Palestinian establishment. No doubt it will become very convenient to use this as evidence that the man is mad. In the grotesque ballet per-formed by Rabin and Arafat, produced and presented by the Americans, and ap-plauded by the world's media, it is Said, almost alone, who has seen that it is they who are mad. When all about us talk as if nationalism was a solution, Said is splendidly and courageously clinging to those crazy, universial values freedom, democracy, a de-cent standard of living and all

that rubbish this imperfect world, Said is not only a human being, he is also a Palestinian, just as I am also a Jew. Long may he continue to speak. Michael Rosen

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CONGRATULATIONS to Aine Rathwell, the girl with Down's syndrome, on gaining five GCSEs (August 23). Perhaps this will con-vince the hospital in question of the value of a heart and lung translated for 13-year-old Joanne Harris (Pig of a problem in the operating theatre, Carola Zeegen.

Fikentscher Strabe 15b, 76229 Karlsruhe, Germany.

JACK Straw says the Labour Party would have supported measures to keep multiple offenders in jail despite the fact that their sentences were wrongly calculated and they should have been freed (Howard halts jail releases, August 24). Prisoners have rights too and if the Labour Party won't stick up for them who will? Nigel Baker. 51 Cephas Ave

JOHN Birt wants an above-linflation rise in the BBC licence fee (Gateway to the BBC's future, August 24). Yet, when it comes to the World Service, he disdains public opinon, and pleads that namny knows best. Why ex-actly should I subsidise this said omniscient? (Dr) Alan Bullion. Flat 7, Oak House, Oak Road, Tunbridge Wells, Kent TW2 3AN.

Please include a full postal address and daytime telepho number, even in e-malled

### Back Edward, End of the motor show

that we cannot blame vehicle emissions for illness and death because they are not the only source of pollu-tion is as disingenuous as the tobacco industry's suggestion that there are causes of bron-chitis and heart disease other than smoking. He also fails to acknowledge that C02 emis-sions cannot be reduced by catalytic conversion.

Edmund King's statement (also Letters, August 24) that "one of the most polluted treets in the UK is Oxford Street, where cars are banned" is simply not true; it is regularly filled with taxis

Mr Sinding may be right (for the wrong reason) when he says that, in 15 years' time, "car pollution will no longer be a problem." If global energy demand continues to accelgy demand communes to accer-erate at the present rate, it will exceed the output from the remaining sources of sup-ply within 20 to 30 years. As-suming we have not poisoned ourselves first, the dramatic price rises resulting from fis-sil-fuel depletion may succeed as a deterrent where commo sense has failed. The sooner we accept that the era of cheap and plentiful energy is coming to an end, the more potential disaster. Paul Hayward.

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pollution than industry. However, it is particularly damaging because so much is produced in the areas where people live and at the height

Another type of pollution often overlooked is noise. their front gardens or chat to people on the pavements because of traffic noise. Cars and lorries are the main culprits because buses tend to avoid residential streets. The real solution is for the Government to sharply in-crease petrol taxes, in order

to finance investment in cheaper and more frequen public transport. Richard Mountford. 76 Springfield Road, Birmingham B14 7DY.

CLOSING roads will not help London's pollution problem. It will lead to traffic jams on other roads and so increase harmful fumes. We need radical changes such as cleaner "city" dissel fuel ve-hicles that run on gas of the tricity, incentives to car share, more freight sent by rail and a chesp and integrated public transport sys-tem. This may seem expensive but treatment for damage than cigarettes, the NHS (taxpayer) over £410

67 Dulverton Road Ruislip, Middx HA49AF.

### Tips on how to stop (some) men behaving (very) badly

transport behaviour, we need incentives as well as penal-ties. Given the difficulties of answer is the youth service, an institution designed pregeneral increases in taxation, the way forward is to target new environmental taxes on undesirable behaviour and use the money to fund desir-able transport schemes. This This is the designation as see or so qualified youth whiches and several hundred different trained volunteers and perfectioners. Threathers the country, they are including young people in mile may be thical debate, or eighting a place outside of home state school where they per feel trust, for example, advocates car parking, using the money for town centre and transport

Yet the lack of a secure stat-utory bese for the funding of this work means that provi-

sion remains patchy, with projects increasingly Lottery windfalls National Youth Agency, 17-23 Albion Street, Leicester LE1 6GD.

V.Vggod practice with sexual offenders and believe that some rapists are amenable to

KATE Travers (Letters, only answer and understand the attraction of proposals for can re-educate men that sex with children is wrong. The rigorous application of those powers, combined with proto-col for assessment about

risk, is required. Acquittal rates in rape cases are extremely high. Ironically, firties may be less likely to convict if they know that a defendant will automatically receive a life sentence. Lies Markham

Chair, National Association with Sex Offenders. 3 West Bar, Sheffield S3 8PJ

ULIE Bindal evidently be-lieves that boys (all boys?) think violence against women and children acceptable and that men (all men?) condor child prostitution. I presume she would acknowledge that women (all women?), having overwhelmingly the responsi-bility for childcare and nursfor these attitudes. Where treatment. However, we also should re-education start? term incarceration may be the | Alvanley Terrace, Edinburgh

#### A Country Diary

recognise that for some, long-

THORPE HAMLET, Norwich: | in some rusting iron, a few Now that we're debating the derelict buildings and only a Union Jack on our identity few years later — an Eden of cards, I'm proposing abother buddleia. Wasteland, unlike cards, I'm proposing another change in the national symbols. Let's drop the rose and adopt buddleis as the national flower, So, it's a Chinese import brought to Europe via Russia, but it's named after a Lincolnshire-born clergyman, Adam Buddle. It also expresses the nature of the conemporary British landscape far more completely than the rose. There are, for example few more beautiful scenes in the inner city than a swathe of buddiela davidii bursting with fat lavender cones. Then look at its extraordinary adaptability. Whoever saw a healthy rose growing right by the tracks of the London Underground, or four metres up a wall, drawing nourishment from a few grams of soil and a bit of decayed cement? And, as a statement about wilderness Britain, I believe it has no equal. Buddleia probably grows best on waste-ground. Take a piece of un-used railway siding or unde-veloped building site, throw

almost any other patch of Britain, is untrammelled by human intention. Everywhere else, even on nature reserves, you're constantly aware that someone has pro-claimed and defined the landscape's value and told you how to think about it. You are always, in a sense, an in-truder in another's declared space. But wasteground, by its very nature, is without these limitations. It gives you the mental freedom implicit in real wilderness and budd-leia is its key motif. If there are any floating voters on the issue of Britain's new national plant, then I offer one final image. Did you ever see a rose at noon, thick with 50 butterflies of five species, and go out again later in the evening to find those gor-geous insects replaced by a second shift, this time of Suver Y moths, probing its or-ange-throated corollas for nactar?

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MARK COCKER

#### Rape and rights

ALTHOUGH I sympathise with Julia Mason, I cannot agree with Prof Shella McLean (Woman's right not to be terrorised should be given precedence, August 24) that the law should be changed to prevent defendants from de-fending themselves or to limit the cross-examination that rape victims may undergo.

The concentration of attention on highly-emotive crimes is helping to create a climate in which defendants' rights are being undermined. I support the principle that we are innocent until proven guilty and any attempt to undermine defendants' ability to defend themselves can only be detri-mental to that principle. It is unfortunate that this assault on civil liberties is being led by those who proclaim themselves to be supporters of women's rights. Sara Hinchliffe. Address supplied.

PONTEFRACT does have a place in history, as Stephen Lyle writes (Sketch, August 22), but us Ponte people have affectionate contemporaneous memories of a once busy, industrial and important market town.

those black, liquorice mini-pancakes, the mainstay of Norwood Green, Middx.

Ponte faction to Wilkinsons, their mass producer, in the shadow of whose factory I was born.

a new tax rate on busines

improvements. Michael Gwilliam.

London SW1Y 5AW.

Director, Civic Trust.

17 Cariton House Terrace,

ALL the measures aimed at the reduction of car fumes

come from correspondents with city or town addresses. A

heavy increase in petrol duty, traffic restrictions and the

removal of old cars would only

make life more difficult for al

derly road-users who live in hilly districts with little or no

public transport and miles from a supermarket centre. Dennis Mason.

Pen y Bryn, Benthall, Nr Broseley, Salop TF12 5RR.

F the car causes greater ill-health and environmental

impose a health warning on

all car advertisements?

Derek Tilston.

Halesworth, Suffolk.

and retail parks with private

I suppose Mr Lyle can be forgiven though for not dig-ging up the important fact that, in the twenties, the town was invaded by a number of latter-day Romans who made ice cream, which they sold He could have mentioned the coal mines; he might have said something about the famous Pontefract races. As for Ray Bellisario.

### Oh Mr Howard, what a one you are

#### Endpiece

Rov Hattersley

ODAY I write in praise of Michael Howard. And who better to ex-press the nation's grati-tude for his existence? For, in the past, I have accused him of the worst offence known to Home Secretaries — greater incompetence than Kenneth Baker. Yet today, I rejoice that he is part of our public life. In a government which is trag-ically lacking in humour and a Parliament that is sadly deficient in wit, he provides con-tinual slapstick comedy.

Whilst Dooglas Hogg imitates the boy who stood on the burning deck — or at least on incinerating cows -Michael Howard sets his own trousers on fire. Rejoice!

I enjoy Mr Howard's performance most when he he not to blame." It is, as in the comes half of a classic case of all born performers.

world we live in/Labour's entirely to blame." Or "It's the richest wot gets the pleasure and the poor wot ... but who cares about them?" Then he is interrupted by a straight man, usually the Director-General (pro tempore) of the Prison Service. "I say, I say, I say. Have you heard the one about the thieves and rapists who were let out of jail last week?" or "Do you know the story about the terrorist who escaped from the top security wing?" Quick as a flash, the parliamentary comedian answers, "No." The laughter brings the house down. It is on the character of "Mr.

implausible" that this natural vaudevillean has built his famous catchphrases. Wisely famous catchphrases. Wisely choosing not to plagiarise Bruce Forsyth's "I'm in charge", he invented several punchlines which were more suitable to his public persons — "Nobody told me" and "I'm not to blame." It is, as in the case of all here professors.

double-act. Serious and the way he talls them that white-faced, he begins his monologue. This a funny old appearance of total insincerity that he has only to say "I am calling for an urgent report" and the whole country col-

lapses in hysteria.
I should have at least recognised his talent for mimicry years ago. When I was an officer of something called the European Movement, our beadquarters was often under siege from the young and as-piring Michael Howard, who brilliantly feigned anxiety to like a bounerang) was merely doing his Edward Heath imi-tation — The Great European being party leader at the time.
Later, he mimicked Margaret
Thatcher with even greater
success. Admittedly, his attempts to look like a Home Secretary have not been so successful. But it is by his comic performances, not his celebrity impressions, that he will be remembered.

spontaneous jokes with which he rose to fame? This is the man who promised that the poll tax would become popular and went on to insist — with an absolute straight face — that Derek Lewis (the dismissed Director-General of the Prison Service) was responsible for all the shortcomings of our understaffed and over- our of our understaffed and over- our of our understaffed and over- our output of output outp crowded jails.

It is the capacity to articulate the absolutely incredible as if he really believes it that has become his distinctive characteristic. In the past, he brilliantly feigned annety we speak in favour of European integration. I now realise that this multi-talented entertainer (who can throw a custard pie torian villain than an Edwardown — one of E G dian clown — one of H G
Wells's shop assistants who
hope to conquer the world but
keeps falling off his bicycle.
We should laugh, not hise,
when he comes on stees when he comes on stage.

I know that there are people

to whom his act does not appeal — for example, grown-ups who can read and write. But his chosen audience loves him. And his few real fans are Who can forget the great so faithful that they applaud

old gags without a colleague whom he can beat about the head and shoulders with a giant sausage? Or will be have to find new material

When I watched him on Friday's Newsnight, I thought of the fate that befell comedians the fate that befell comedians are Sheffield's Attercliffe Palace when they told the same old story too often. A great hook came out from the wings and dragged them off-stage.

The story that ends "I was not informed" is beginning to informed" is beginning to make people laugh at the joker not the jake.

There is another slight problem about his future. Michael Caine, almost as great a thespian, dealt with Michael Howard's difficulty during an acting masterclass which was recorded for talevi-

Anyone who made themselves look absurd was doomed. And that is now happening

to our performing Home Sec-retary. The misjudged school-boy sketch ("Please, sir, it wasn't me, sir. It was a civil servant, sir") has been performed once too often. Michael Howard, in his injured innocence mood, now embarrasses rather than entertains. The audience laughs at him not with him. So it cannot be long before the final curtain, However, because I enjoy a good giggle, I admit that I shall be sorry to see him go - feet turned out. bowler hat on the back of his head, and Malacca cane twirling as he waddles off into the sunset, never to be heard of



**Bring the** 

#### Phnom Penh Diary

Nick Cumming-Bruce

OL POT. Cambodia's rumour mill recently suggested, might be dead; his old friend and fellow mass-murderer, leng Sary, has split from the Khmer Rouge; several of its key commanders are suing for peace with the government. What is left of the Khmer Rouge, pinned against the borders with Thailand, may be implod-

This should be great news for Phuom Penh. The UN too may see this as further proof of the success already claimed for its unprece-dented, \$2 billion mission to lay the foundation for a stable, more democratic Cambodia. But a wave of crime targetting expatriates is jangling the nerves of the foreign community and the aid agencies that put most of them there. Peace may be breaking out in Cambodia. but it seems to be peace with a level of violence and inse-curity that may jeopardise the goals the UN strove for.

Robbery of foreigners at cumpoint seems almost a daily occurrence. Everybody knows someone who has been stuck up af gunpoint. "People are very fear-ful," reports aid-agency coordinator Carole Garrison. "It's like the wild west," a French resident chimes in. "There are people with guns running around all over the place and we lack sheriffs."

Many of the robbers are rank amateurs. Teenage gunmen on two motorcycles held up a French colleague returning to his hotel after a week touring with co-prime minister Hun Sen. The frightening part, he recounted, was the extreme nerves and trembling guns

of the robbers. The gun-toting motorcyclist who liberated a British aid-agency worker of a hold-all and front-pocket cash, returned after a minute or two to check the hip pockets.

But inexperience is no barrier to violence. There have been no homicides yet, but shooting has occurred at some robberies. Most worrying was the rape at gunpoint of a French woman last month. A former law student attacked her in front of her boyfriend in the house where she was staying a day after her arrival in Cambodia. Rape may be common among Cambodians; the rape of a foreigner by a Cambodian was un-

"I would rather be here than in Miami," concludes Garrison, a former Atlanta, Georgia policewoman and professor of criminal fustice, who worked in Cambo dia during the UN adminis-tration. "But tensions are growing exponentially. Things are going to get worse before they get better. We haven't seen anything

In a sense this is equality out of the barrel of a gun. In the absence of any other law, Cambodians are all too used to guns as the ultimate sanction after 30 years of conflict, often fuelled by foreign sponsors, which has left them with many more guns than people.

OLDIERS in the provinces, left unpaid for months at a time by generals growing rich on the salaries of ghost soldiers, have long shaken down road traffic. Now a swelling ur-ban under-class, which sees corruption pouring millions of dollars into the laps of political leaders, seems to ap-preciate the possibilities of crime. Foreigners present a logical target. Their loose change may be equivalent to a civil servant's monthly

salary. But the experience is a rude shock to foreigners who are used to a measure of insecurity travelling in the provinces but are also used to deference from most Cam bodians as deliverers of aid. Garrison for one sees the

crime wave as "a wake-up call to the international community". The UN's civil police effort was broadly regarded as a dismal flop. Since then western donors have generally declined to help build up a police force they fear Cambodia's leaders might use to abuse rights rather than protect them. The international com-munity has failed Cambodia

munity has raised cambodia in this area big-time," ar-gues Garrison. "they screwed up under the UN and nobody came back to fix it. They need to come back to they need to come back and finish it. If nothing is done, the level of real violence will match the level of



### Two very different ways to say sorry

#### Commentary

USSIANS like to say

that they live in a

#### Fintan O'Toole

country with an un-predictable past, and in that they are not alone. Last week's statements by FW de Klerk and Thabo Mbeki to the Truth and Reconciliation Commission in South Africa were a reminder of how hard it is for people emerging from violent conflict to deal with recent history. Even with the experience of a successful political settlement behind them, both found it impossible to be completely open and grievance can become al-about what their parties had done in the war. Those diffi-culties raise fundamental say of my sorrow what an questions. Is it ever possible to atone for the past? Does the scratching of old wounds produce anything except more

If you live in Ireland, where the present often seems paralysed by the past, it is tempt ing to answer "no" to both questions. Nationalist demands that Britain apologise | the peace process were actu-

versary, are usually ways of avoiding responsibility for 25 years of IRA violence. Selec-tive Unionist memories of those same years are often no those same years are often no more than a mechanism for forgetting what caused the violence in the first place, and for avoiding the messy business of making peace. And during the worst of the violence itself, the media fashion for sticking microphones in the faces of reachly because the faces of recently bereaved people and asking them whether they forgave the kill-ers, did much to devalue the

We demean human suffer ing by expecting people to for-give the unforgivable. We misunderstand the way grief shaped by violence, many people live, and glib calls for reconciliation will never bring them out from behind the walls. For many of the bereaved in Northern Ireland, the most optimistic periods of

simple grace of Gordon Wilson's forgiveness for the

bombers who had killed his daughter.

for Bloody Sunday, for the Great Famine, or for whatever atrocity is brought to mind by a convenient anniversary, are usually ways of committed or condoned the killing being feted

And yet, none of this takes away the power of a genuine political apology. You only have to talk to any of the victims of such conflicts to understand how deep is the hunger for public acknowl-edgment of what they have suffered. Conversely, it isn't hard to understand the true nature of a political force that can't bring itself to acknowl-edge what it has done in the past. Neo-Nazis deny the Holocaust because they want it to happen again. Japan's reluctance to apologise to its neighbours or to the "comfort women" of Korea for its actions in the 1930s and 1940s raises suspicions about its capacity to play a constructive role in the world. The deliberate desecration by na-tionalists in Northern Ireland of the monument to eight Protestant workers murdered by the IRA was one of the most alarming of all the inci-dents that followed the Drum-

cree stand-off last month. the future. knowledged and defused. To fore the memorial to the dead do both at the same time is to of the Warsaw Ghetto in 1970

awful image in David Edgar's play Pentecost, of the chil-dren on their way to a concentration camp in a cattle truck who were so hungry that they are the cardboard identification tags hung round their necks and so did not survive

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Gulliver's Travels, who live forever but who, because "they have no remembrance of anything but what they learned and observed in their youth and middle age, have become "incapable of friend-ship and dead to all natural affection". Oblivion is terrible, but so is the kind of fro-zen memory that makes friendship and affection im-possible in the present. The balance between the kind of obsessive return to past wrongs that imprisons people in the past and the kind of willed amnesia that consigns

Oblivion is terrible, but so is frozen memory that makes friendship and affection impossible

the hard-won lessons of the

steer a course between the dangers summed up in two images from art. One is the ried out in Germany's mis-

even as names on a list. The other image is Jona-than Swift's Struldbruggs in

past to oblivion is difficult to define, but easy enough to recognise when you see it. The mark of a meaningful political apology is that it actually costs the person making it something real, and contains a genuine promise for Willy Brandt kneeling be-

the future.

used name" passed the test because the apology was part of a courageous attempt to al-ter Germany's future place in Europe. Paul Keating's apol-ogy in 1992 for the murder of aborigines and the theft of their land meant something because it was backed with money and legislation. On the other hand, the recent Japa-nese apology to the comfort nese apology to the comfort women was utterly uncon-vincing, accompanied as it was by a continuing refusal to pay compensation. By the same criteria, neither de Klerk's apology nor Mbeki's acknowledgement of abuses of human rights by the ANC was especially impressive. Each went far enough to avoid the charge of insensitiv-ity to the bereaved, but no

least arrived at a point where a public process of acknowledgement and apology, how-ever unsatisfactory, is poss-ible. Northern Ireland still has a long way to go before it reaches the same point. Each side remains so busy with calling its enemies to account that none, including the British Government, has yet man-aged to place an honest statement of the wrongs it has inflicted above the pursuit of short-term political gain. The paramilitaries, for instance, did not even use the opportu-nity of the ceasefires to make the most basic act of restitu-tion to their victims: telling them where to find the unknown number of bodies of the "missing, believed dead" that lie unmarked and unacknowledged graves. In that case at least, digging up the past could be a profound and persuasive statement about

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far enough to incur any real political cost. South Africa, though, has at

### troops home from Cyprus



Mark Seddon

Loyalists once famously infiltrated an Archbishop Makarios look-alike into the Cyprus independence talks at Marlborough House.

At the appointed memorities the common cause with the common cause wit At the appointed moment the wraith-like figure stood and bellowed "Keep Cyprus British", before being dragged out. This light-hearted incident proved something of an account of the recent his appointment of the recent his exception. For the recent his-tory of Cyprus is not a happy one, littered as it is with both refugees and corpses

From the "Murder Mile" of 1950s Nicosia, where British squaddies ran the gauntlet of George Grivas's Eoka B guer-rillas, to the Green Line which divides Greek from Turk in the city today, this has been a sorry tale of div ision and segregation. Britain's role, first as colonia power, then as supposed guar antor of the Cypriot constitu tion, has been perfidious in the extreme. As trouble flared earlier this month, the night-mare vision of Britain once again being thrust centre stage in a conflict it helped foster, returned to haunt the grey men at the Foreign Office. For the policies of div-ide and rule which were perpetrated throughout the British Empire reached their nemesis in Cyprus. The mi-nority Turks had been employed as lowly clerks and colonial policemen, but after independence in 1960 the Greek majority was unwilling to accommodate them. Flickering family cine-film from the mid 1960s shows the Turks of Famagusta scraping a living from an enclave of mud shacks, just as millions of black South Africans did from their segregated townships. The question then was not if the Turks would invade, but when. When the Greek Junta

and moved into the empty houses and flats of the deareas of Akrotiri and Dhekelia kept studiously out of the conflict in 1974, staying inside their barracks, much to the consternation of the Greeks. They are still there. But does

patched their army, cruelly driving thousands of Greeks

permanently from their

Turks have left "the old city"

was withdrawing from east of Suez. Why not west of Suez as well? ACCORDING to a recent survey by Gallup, some 76 per cent of people in Britain be-lieve that "there is a class

struggle going on". This compares with 56 per cent who thought the same in 1961. This remarkable revelation has given the left new zest to chal-lenge the dismal fare of modextremely rightwing editor of the Literary Review, Auberon Waugh, to prosecute a new struggle in which left and right unite and fight. Our sworn enemy is retail news-agent giant WH Smith, which earlier this year cleared its shelves of a whole range of small publications including Tribune, and which has since come up with another wheeze to make life miserable for small magazines and news-papers. Bill Cockburn, the WH Smith chief executive, now proposes a new "retail distribution allowance" on smaller publications. For "allowance" substitute "charge" and you get the picture. Mr Cockburn recently wrote a letter to Labour MPs who had protested in Parlia ment. He wrote: "There was a large number of slow-moving titles on the shelves, which rather than enhancing con-sumer choice, was making access to titles that people really wanted to buy more difficult." Such gobbledygook goes a long way to explaining how WH Smith have simply lost their touch. It may be inconvenient for customers to have to stand on their toes to reach past Tribune and the Literary Review for their copy of May-fair or Asian Babes, but how is consumer choice extended by removing choice?

HE latest ABC figures show that small publications have lost 20 per cent of sales in the past year. This catastrophic collapse owes much to the attitude of companies such as WH Smith. Recently the supermarket when the Greek Junta Recently the Supermarket engineered a military coup in giant Asda decided to expand the number of publications dream of "enosis" with the they sell, so providing hope mainland, the Turks distinct the odd copy of the Literary Review or Tribune could find its way past the legions of dreary cookery and computer homes. Famagosta has since glossies. Perhaps we will have been renamed Varosha. The to await legislation that allows magazines a right to distribution and display, as ex ists elsewhere in Europe. But until that happens, the unholy British forces on the island alliance of left and right will at the two Sovereign base continue. Who knows, perhaps Auberon Waugh can be persuaded to join Michael Foot in a picket outside WH Smith's They might even give the class struggle a bit of impetus.

most 30 years since a Labour Mark Seddon is editor of government announced that it Tribune. Paul Foot is away



# he warthey can't win John doesn't get it

The ongoing battle in the Kremlin is no longer about the chaos in Chechenia. argues Jonathan Eyal: it's a raw struggle for power both in the here-and-now and in Russia after Yeltsin

Chechenia appeared stalled over the weekend. it is obvious that a fundamen tal psychological threshold has been crossed: Russia has admitted, at least tacitly, that the war cannot be won. Yet, regardless of the ultimate outcome, the Chechen disaster will haunt Moscow for many

will haunt Moscow for many years. The war remains President Yeltsin's gravest mistake, and its continuation over such a long period indicates just how far Russia still is from being an ordinary, "normal" democracy.

The Kremlin's original decision to pounce on the Chechens was justified by the argument that, if a rebellion is allowed to succeed in one region of Russia, the entire country will quickly disintegrate. This was a deliberate nonsense: although Russia includes many nationalities, the cludes many nationalities, the overwhelming majority are scattered groups of no nu-merical or territorial signifi-cance and little chance of secance and inthe chance of se-cession. Thus, far from representing the rule, the Chechens were the exception, one of the few nations with a separate language, religion, traditions and a distinct territorial entity. At every given opportunity in their history, the Chechens rebelled against Russian control. Indeed, their

LTHOUGH peace fore the Russian federation negotiations in was even created out of the Chechenia approach to the Soviet empire. None of the Soviet empire.

None of these facts actually meant that Moscow had to accept Chechenia's independence. But the answer did not lie in dismissing Chechenia as a purely internal police matter. By calling itself a "federation". Russia itself had indicated a desire to satisfy the needs of various ethnic groups on its territory. But, far from seeking to avoid a war. Moscow actually courted it. First, it deliber-ately raised the stakes by claiming that it was confronting an Islamic fundamentalist challenge in Chechenia, a curious argument since Dzho-kar Dudayev, the Chechen leader, was a former Soviet air-force general commanding a nuclear bomber wing, hardly the career pattern for an Islamic cleric. The Krem-lin then armed a counterrebel movement and, when this failed, sent a large number of troops mainly in order to cover up its previously bungled efforts.

In launching the offensive, Moscow ignored all the les-sons which the west has learnt from its own colonial adventures. A top-heavy army geared up to fighting a mas-sive war remains very poor against a rag-tag collection of guerrilla fighters. Furtheragainst a rag-tag collection of guerrilla fighters. Furthermore, armies are notoriously had at executing orders to fire which regards its role as de-

on civilians. And, finally, no | fending Russia's outer fron- | amount to a complete defeat military adventure, however well executed, can succeed aim. By authorising this reck-less offensive Yeltsin brought upon Russia precisely all the ills be was seeking to avoid: a deeper disarray in the mili-tary, defiant nationalities and One of the results of the Chechen war is the return of

the art of Kremlinology, of guessing trends according to who is assumed to be closer to the president's ear, rather than who exercises formal constitutional power. Only two weeks ago Rus-

sians were treated to a pomp-ous inauguration ceremony for Yeltsin's new term in office. But, as the Chechen events indicate, the succession fight in the Kremlin is just beginning. As every Rus-sian politician instinctively knows, the president's precar-ious health condition makes it very unlikely that Yeltsin will complete his term, and the best guarantee of winning a Russian election is still to be in power when the vote takes place. Russia is no longer a dictatorship. But it remains a country where elections tend to legitimise a transfer of power that has already taken place, rather than decide who

place, rather than decide who succeeds.

Like any other government confronted with an unwinna-hle war, the Kremlin is divided over which policy to adopt. Some generals argue for a settlement now under any conditions, while others push for a "final" offensive which, supposedly, should secure better terms. Furthermore,

Council was a classic bear's embrace, designed by Presi-dent Yeltsin to destroy a man widely regarded as a serious presidential contender. Not only were Lebed's precise res-ponsibilities kept vague but, in order to confuse matters further, Yeltsin immediately created a separate military council under Prime Minister Chernomyrdin, another presidential hopeful.

NDER normal cir-cumstances, Yelt-sin would have been happy to watch Lebed being destroyed by the Kremlin machinery, as other rising military stars have been in the past. But the Chechen crisis offered an even quicker opportunity of achieving this, and Lebed was duly dispatched to sort out a war which, ostensibly, could not be ended. This may yet turn out to be Yeltsin's miscalculation.

calculation.

Having opposed the Chechen adventure from the start, Lebed finds it easier to offer the rebels some concessions. Nevertheless, he is also aware that this is a high-risk strategy. Lebed has no politi-cal constituency in Moscow and, therefore, his chances of survival depend on persuading the military and ordinary

tiers and resents being sucked The best way of achieving into internal adventures. But this is by turning the tables the most important battle is on the president and demand between politicians, who ing that Yeltsin dismisses want to avoid responsibility those responsible for the confor starting the war.

General Alexander Lebed's And the only way Yeltsin can appointment as secretary of avoid responsibility is by Russia's National Security making himself scarce. The making nimser scarce. The curious way by which the president appeared and disappeared, one moment supposedly on the operating table or already dead, the very next moment at his desk in the Kremlin issuing orders which continuing authorization. which, confusingly, either called for a ceasefire or a new offensive, were all tactics in-tended to keep Yeltsin's future options wide open. The battle, therefore, is no

longer about Chechenia.
Apart from Lebed himself, no
other Russian leader is interested in the finer points of the ested in the finer points of the deal currently negotiated; they all hope that Lebed will pull their chestnuts out of the Chechen fire and get burnt in the process. But Lebed, now fighting for his political life, is unlikely to be that obliging. Thus, the shemanigans in the Exemplian are guaranteed to Kremlin are guaranteed to continue for quite some time. And almost regardless of how the Chechen crisis ultimately ends, the results are already obvious. The war has not only cost the lives of an estimated 30,000 Russian citizens; it has also eaten away at Russia's young democratic roots. And the man overwhelmingly responsible for this outcome is the same person who claimed to give Russia its first taste of democracy: Boris Yeltsin

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Charles Hadfield

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which provided a vehicle for some of his and Thomas's

work, and was also for two de-cades the leading publisher of

new works on the infant sub-ject of industrial archaeology

important out-of-print reference books.

Hadfield was born in South Africa but educated in Eng-land, at Blundell's School. He

graduated from St Edmund's Hall, Oxford with an econom-

ics degree and became a second-hand bookseller, later

Joining the Oxford University Press, where he met Alice Mary Miller, whom he subse-

D&C additionally republish

edited several others.

Navigating

# **Moral strategist**

theologian, who chiefly remembered for his outstanding contribu tion from the late 1950s onwards to the dehate on hu-

Born in Graz, Austria, of Jewish parents, he was sent to England in 1938 to escape the Nazi persecution. He was educated at Bootham College in York, and graduated in English and philosophy from Manchester University. where he became a Catholic. It was a generous and open-minded Catholicism, and he described himself as a radical Christian humanist For a time he adopted a pacifist position, registering as a wartime conscientious objector and doing alternative service

Later, he rejected pacifism for the more traditional notion of the just war, which he developed and refined and which was the bedrock on which he based his critique of

image of Roger Hume, who played Bert Fry in Radio

4's The Archers, and has

died of a stroke aged 55. He was chunky, dressed casually

in slacks, shirt and pullover,

with open-toed sandals. His

hair was starting to recede,

and he had a nicely shaped

mouth with clear large green-

blue eyes. His expression was

always ready to crack open

It was 17 years ago that

with a broad, infectious grin.

Roger first appeared in the programme. His initial role

was as John Tregorran, and

he moved on to play Borches-

ter's industrial magnate, Sir

Sidney Goodman before creat-

ing the character of Bert Fry,

Phil Archer's loyal farmhand, in 1988. Roger lovingly ob-served that rich country char-

acter, with his doggerel and

The result was that he was

well on the way to producing a portrait as legendary as

those of Jethro Larkin, Wal-ter Gabriel or Tom Forrest.

made more than 200 other

radio appearances, appeared

in Fawity Towers, Poirot, and

The Bill on television and his film roles included one in A Fish Called Wanda. He had

been a member of the Royal Shakespeare Company and

also wrote one-man shows, touring his Old Herbaceous

around the world — and put on a performance of it for the

Queen. He also acted in, and

produced plays for his local

drama society and performed poetry recitals, many to raise money for charity.

Roger and I went back a

long way, before I joined The Archurs as Kathy Perks, to the

start of my radio drama career 22 years ago. He couldn't drive at the time and

as we lived near each other. I

BBC's studios at Pebble Mill in Birmingham where we

But his acting career went far beyond The Archers. He

brisk views on gardening.

**Roger Hume** 

LTER Stein, | nuclear weapons and of indis- | extraordinary ability to em- | the chapter on nuclear forces kind. He joined the Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament when it was formed in 1958. Three years later he edited the classic Nuclear Weapons and Christian Conscience which was republished without alteration 20 years later

during the second wave of anti-nuclear campaigning. Walter's contributions to this volume were a passionate and incisive critique of nuclear weapons and nuclear deter-rence coupled with a refusal to duck the difficult issues surrounding the attempt to outlaw and abolish such weapons and develop alternative approaches to security. He brought the same integ-

teaching, principally in Leeds University's extra-mural department and to his literary and drama criticism. Any work submitted to him received rigorous critical tion. But he was no pedant. He had a quick, ironic humour, an infectious laugh, an

An Archers portrait

T IS easy to conjure up my performed together. During Bart's Oliver, and he gravi-image of Roger Hume, who those drives we discussed tated to similar work on films played Bert Fry in Radio everything under the sun and like Carry On Regardless and

put the world to rights. He en-

joyed the company of women, and when he had to play the

role of token male in the occa-

sional feminist drama, he

took no part in the feverish

debate in the BBC Club, but

would shake his head on the

way home with a rueful grin;

"You girls make it hard for a

man to get a word in once you've started."

Roger was the son of

George Hume, formerly the RSC's general manager in

Stratford-upon-Avon. His

stage career began in the early 1960s as assistant stage manager in the original West

End production of Lionel

pathise, which enabled him to and strategy in the 1983 State debate, free of acrimony, with opponents. His major literary work,

Criticism as Dialogue, was published in 1969. Two of its key essays "Christianity and the Common Pursuit" and "Criticism Dialogue" address respectively modern English criticism, especially the work of F R Leavis, in relation to belief, and the importance of literary studies to Christian

But the nuclear issue remained a central concern. In 1980, he became a founder member of the Bradford Uni versity-based Alternative De-fence Commission and made an invaluable contribution to its Defence Without the Bomb (1983) and The Politics of Al-ternative Defence (1967). During this period he also de-bated in the columns of the Tablet with fellow Catholic and senior Ministry of De-fence civil servant Michael Quinlan, thought to have

tated to similar work on films

the last Bing Crosby/Bob

Hope road movie, Road To The Moon. And he moved into

He also became a lay

preacher. Roger was a genu-inely religious man. He didn't talk much about God but

lived his beliefs, because it

seemed to him to be a natural

and civilised way to lead his life. People in trouble always

turned to Roger, knowing that

he had an attentive, non-judgemental ear. It was a

characteristic he shared with

He was a staunch sup-porter. I still treasure the let-

his wife Anne.

repertory as an actor.

ment on the Defence Estimates Quinlan argued in a July 1981 Tablet article that deterrence was "an inexorable policy". Waiter's reply, a month later, acknowledged the "special

impressiveness" of Quinlan's contribution, but argued that it bypassed the crucial moral problem; there was no way in which nuclear deterrence could function except ultimately as a threat against civilian populations. A lengthy exchange of views resulted in a series of three articles by Walter in the Tablet, which are essential reading for anyone wishing to come to grips with the complexities of the moral and strategic issues

In recent years, Walter had worked with a project which sprang directly from the work of the Alternative Defence Commission but which focussed specifically on the potential of non-violent action. Characteristically, while accepting that there is a role for

Equity deputy for The Archers' cast. And I found my-

self gently but firmly in-volved in his activities. I

make a video about the evils

of alcoholism, back to his

home in Shipston to judge a town cryers' contest. Then there was the annual judging

and reading out of the win

ning entries for the children's

local poetry competition and

unforgettably giggly sessions of the Talking Newspaper for

the Blind. Twinkling, kindly. never petty, he wasn't just a

good man, it was fun to be with him. He is survived by his wife, two sons, and his

The Archers is poorer for

his going. We are richer for

having known and loved him,

Roger Hume, actor, born No-

and been loved by him.



Walter Stein . . . he rejected pacifism for the notion of a just war, the basis for his critique of nuclear weapons

sisted on the need to define more precisely the circum-stances in which defiance of the law is justified. Similarly he saw "strategic non-violence" as potentially impor-tant in international politics but could not accept it as a universal panacea. Right up to within a few months of his

democratic societies, he in- | fine the problems and set the agenda for further work in this field. He is survived by his wife, Joyce, four grown-up chil-dren, and two grandchildren.

Walter Stein, theologian and

**Roy Smith-Hill** 

### **Early bites from** the Bolsheviks

aged 99. was a triumph over an early disaster during the British intervention in the nascent Soviet Union after the

first world war. Born in Aspatria, Cumbria, where his father was head of the agricultural college, Smith-Hill was educated at nearby St Bees school. He served during the war with Marine detachments on battleships and stayed on as a pro-

fessional officer. Thus was he assigned to the scratch 6th Battalion, Royal Marines Light Infantry, formed to help supervise the postwar plebiscite in Schleswig-Holstein on whether it would remain German or join Denmark. Never meant to fight, the unit consisted mostly of raw recruits and ex-prisoners-of-war. Smith-Hill and almost all other officers no experience of land combat when the battalion went to northern Russia in

The Tsarist regime had collapsed under the strain of the war in 1917, releasing vast German forces for a last thrust on the Western Front in spring 1918. Britain and her allies put 200,000 troops into northern Russia to block a possible seizure of the Arctic ports and advance into Fin-land by the Germans.

But the likes of Georges Cle-menceau, the French wartime eader, and Winston Churchill, then war secretary, wanted to put an end to Bol-shevik "baboonery". Thus was the intervention force or-dered to support the "Whites" in the civil war against the new Red Army, despite grow-ing opposition in war-weary Britain. The "Reds" saw off all resistance and most British troops pulled out in summer

The 6th Battalion RMLI

MHE CAREER of Roy cover the withdrawal; its dan-smith-Hill, who has died gerous inexperience was soon (13 were sentenced to death). Nearly all the battalion's officers were punished. Smith-Hill was severely repri-

But protests and parliamentary questions at home led to a review, the repeal of the death sentences and reduction or cancellation of other punish-ments, even though Smith-

But it was in 1935, when he was seconded to the Army

Dan van der Vat

two daughters.

Brigadier Roy Smith-Hill, Royal Marine, born May 5, 1897; died August 4, 1996.

first canal book, with Frank Eyre, was English Rivers & exposed in clashes with highly motivated Bolshevik soldiers. Canals, published in 1945. While this was in press, L T C In a fight for a village, Smith-Hill's company suffered Rolt's Narrow Boat appeared, a seminal work which led directly to the formation of the severe casualties and command devolved upon him. The Inland Waterways Associademoralised Marines refused to renew the attack after a tion in 1946, with Rolt as a sec-retary and Hadfield as vicerepulse and nearly 100 were Early years saw great ten-sions in the IWA; Hadfield and court-martialled for mutiny Rolt were expelled, but wer

on to triumph elsewhere. Had-field helped to found the Railway & Canal Historical Socimanded, normally professional death sentence. ety in 1954, and David & Charles in 1960. He was also

Hill's demand for a court-martial to clear his name was turned down. Behind the scenes, the Admiralty acknowledged that the battalion had been hopelessly ill-prepared for its task and was a disgrace to the Marines. Roy Smith-Hill's subset career was not affected. He went back to the fleet, surviving another ill-considered in-tervention in Turkey in 1922.

Staff College, that he came into his own — as a staff offi-cer. He took part in the plan-ning of the invasions of North Africa in 1942, Sicily in 1943 and Normandy in 1944. Smith-Hill was made CBE in 1946 for his staff work and commanded the Infantry Training Centre at Lympstone and the Royal Marine School of Music before he retired to farm in 1950. He and his wife, Sybil, who died in 1974, had two sons and

"The argument's sound | Keeps me alive! Also I remain | bridges against prejudice. As an atheist and non-Jew I had no idea what to expect. It was love at first sight. This lovely genial, bubbly man exuded warmth, generosity and huHARLES HADFIELD. | invited to rejoin the IWA in 1971, and became a vice-president. He lived long enough to see the IWA into its 50th year.

Hadfield was always ready to learn from others, and to historian. Between 1945 and share his own knowledge, and he never used his learning to 1993, he wrote more than 20 put others at a disadvantage. A much-deserved festschrift was published for his 75th birthday in 1984.

ish isles series, conceived by him in 1955, and completed in 12 volumes in 1977. Hadfield wrote six, collaborated on two, In 1946, he joined the Cen-tral Office of Information, and became its director of publications. While in office, he was responsible for the production of booklets for the Labour goveroment's National Insurance and National Health Service schemes. Later promotion included masterminding the arrangements for the British pavilion at the 1958 Brussela Exhibition, for which he was awarded the CMG in 1959. He ook early retirement in 1962 to devote his time to David & Charles; books and their production were lifelong themes.

one of London's youngest county councillors in 1934; edited the Quaker Monthly from 1963 to 1968; and was a member of the British Waterways Board from 1963 to 1966. His devotion to Alice Mary led cluding the work of Charles Williams. He was an excellent and far-sighted planner, and founded a number of societies which still thrive.

Besides canals, his writings included politics, the Cots-wolds, fire lighting, and atmowar he worked in the London Fire Brigade's river service. spheric railways. Although beginning to flourish, and his not primarily a creative writer, he used the act of writing as a way of exploring the world. True to form, When Alice Mary died in 1989 after many years of fulfilling and devoted marriage, Charles set about recreating their life together by writing her biog-raphy, not for publication, but as a way of exploring and explaining his own feelings about his beloved and much-

Mark Baldwin

Ellis Charles Raymond Hadhel



Hadfield with wife Alice on the Thames/ Severn canal

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nis player, 80; Dr Raphael Balcon, cardiologist, 60; The Duke of Gloucester, archi-tect, 52; Rt Rev Alan Chesters, Bishop of Blackburn, 59 Joan Clanchy, educational-ist, 57; Michael Cockerell, television reporter, 56; Richard Dales, former High Comard Dates, former high com-missioner to Zimbabwe, 54; Geraldine Ferraro, former US vice-presidential candi-date, 61; Peter Fowler, retiring High Commissioner to Bangladesh, 60; Sir Ian McGregor, authority on tropical medicine, 74; Mal-colm Pyrah, show jumper, 55; Graham Riddick, Conser-

Canon Peter Atkinson, former principal, Chichester Theological College, 44; H W 'Bunny' Austin, former ten-Sir Harry Tuzo, former Dep-uty Supreme Allied Commander, Europe. 79; Steve Wright, disc jockey, 42.

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#### Letters

Martyn Berry writes: I once | For the next 90 minutes he arranged for the physicist Sir strode about — occasionally Nevill Mott tobituary. August tripping over chairs — argu12) — an advocate of no first ing. cajoling, striking sparks address the Sevenoaks Peace stilted and disappointing. He then demanded questions.

off a willing audience, fluent, careful in listening and quick

recorded the radio plays we Roger Hume . . . roles ranged from the Archers to the RSC and Fawlty Towers

to respond. Back at our house, over cocoa and biscuits, I man-

aged, sometime after midnight, to direct him to the stairs. Halfway up, he stopped. "Oh, I forgot to men-tion it," he said, "I have to go to a conference, tomorrow.
Could you get me to the

station by seven?"
When I took him tea at six. Nevill was sitting up with someone's PhD thesis on his knees and a pen in his hand.

enough." he said, "hut why on earth can't people write decent English these days?" In his last letter to us, he wrote: "In physics I have acquired a Russian colleague and together we have written two books on high Tc super-conductivity: differing com-pletely from Phil Anderson and most of the Americans.

very interested in (the relationship between) science And what a marvellous man.

Val Carpenter writes: In 1991 I mour. His questioning of me invited Rabbi Hugo Gryn (obituary, August 20) to become a sponsor of the National Coalition Building Institute, which builds have with him.

# plaud them. Don't compete or

judge. When you remind your partner how great he or she is, the best words are always day. It will serve to remind both of you that you are in this relationship by choice. When you compliment your lover, your own words. These you identify what it is you love about your lover. Name those qualities to yourself. Acphrases might inspire you. "Have I told you lately that I really love living with you." knowledge the kind of person your husband, wife, or lover My favorite time of day is when we wake up in the morning and you cuddle me a is, and what the relationship means to you. When your while before we get up. That's very special to me." partner tells you about his or her accomplishments, ap-Build your partner up, and

you will be built up too. That is, you remember how lucky you are to have your partner. "I know things are rough at work right now. I want you to know I appreciate it that you keep at it, day after day, even when you don't want to, because of your commitment to taking care of our family. I want you to know that I know how much you really love The best way to continue creating love in your relation-ship is to continue expressing

love in your relationship. Some expressions of creative flirting don't rely on speech. Whether you're a whiz at words or sometimes at a loss. don't overlook the tremendons power of flirting by

doing. Leave notes in your lover's briefcase, lunch bag. raincoat, underwear drawer. make-up kit, car, workout bag, or any ordinary place where a love note is unexpected.

The note can simply say, "I love you." or "See you tonight," or "I want you." Serve your beloved. Bring coffee to the bedroom in the morning. Jump up and get dessert. What this says is: "You're so special to me that right now I'm thinking more about you and your confort than I am about my own." Make and keep eye contact when you're talking. Decide

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**Emily Sheffield** 

### Jackdaw



#### A high result

THE NATIONAL Institute of Health released the results of a controversial new study today, one that links the drug marijuana to sitting around and getting high.

"We have found that where there's marijuana." explained Institute spokesperson Roger Krell, "there's also a good chance of finding stoners on a couch passing around a bong." Krell added that in such situations, "There is also a strong likelihood of finding incense, a TV, and some chips, usually Ruffles. "Marijuana, or "pot". as it is called on the street, is a harmless drug that helps you relax and feel mellow. Its only

known side effects are occasional uncontrollable laughter and mild hunger, or "the munchies." Not everyone agrees with the survey's findings. "Getting high is the least of marijuana's uses." said Matt Henner, President of Hemp For Victory and a total pothead. "The ancient Egyptians used hemp to build the pyramids. In the 1930s, the WPA

used it to construct bridges and dams. Today it is used for medicine and as a non-pollut ing alternative to gasoline." Henner then admitted he was wasted beyond belief." Marijuana also has been proven to have the wonderful side effect of enhanced sexual sensations, enabling some users to achieve transcendental states that this link, however, was

of erotic bliss. The study found severely limited in many subjects because they had, due to sitting around all the time, never actually met members of the opposite sex. "But if they did." said Krell, "then it'd be amazing." So far, the study has met with formal protest by only one group. The Alabama based Centre for the Christian Family, claimed the findings

to be terribly inaccurate, noting marijuana's ability to "make users think they can fly and jump out of buildings, like on Quincy, as well as its ten-dency to induce demon posse sion, homicidal rampages, and homosexuality."

First marijuana is linked to olate and now to getting high. Reported in the Onion, at www.theonion.com/onion30001w/text3001w/ marijuana.html.

#### Wines S's & P's

Sight: Hold the glass up and consider the colour. Red wines for example, don't look the same. Pinot Noir can be a soft shade of stawberry, while zin-fandel is often as dense as blackberry jam.

Swirl: There's a good reason wineries pour only a small amount — aside from the fear of going broke. You can't swirl a full glass without making a puddle. Lightly swirl the glass for a moment and you'll be sur-prised how the wine changes. When infused with air, wine releases its aroma. Sniff: Take a whiff. Your nose is a key player in the wine-

tasting. First, ask yourself is the aroma pleasant or not? Some wines have very subtle bouquets, while others will rush your nostrils like line-backers. One is not necessarily better than the other. Wines have characteristic smells. Sau vignon Blanc, for example. may smell like freshly mown grass. Sip: Don't take a big gulp.

Swish it around your mouth, adding more air and exposing all your taste buds. Is it sweet o dry? Bitter or sour? A cabernet sauvignon, for example, might make you pucker. Those are the tannins, which help the wine age. Try to sort out the sensations on your tongue. Chardonnay may have an al-most buttery taste and pinot noir may taste lightly of cherry, with a lingering

Pour: We couldn't think of another S-word. Expert tasters al-ways Spit — If they didn't. they'd be passed out on the floor. You don't need to do that, but we would encourage you to only take a sip or two and then pour out the rest. Tasting rooms don't mind at all; in fact, they provide special

buckets for this purpose. Improve your wine knowledge at unow.winery.com/winery-Big boosters

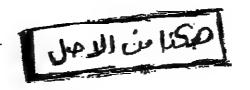
#### SEEK out successful people and learn from them. 2. If you have a particularly difficult phone call to make, stand up to do it.

Learning to relax and get in touch with your inner self will help boost your selfknowledge and confidence. 4. Harness your smile to improve personal relationships and get what you want from

adults can often be traced back to messages we were given when we were children. If you were always told, "You're really stupid", turn it around and tell your adult self, "I'm intelligent". New Woman gives some confi-dence tricks for those who are

5. Lack of confidence as

Flirty tips GIVE your partner the gift of



### Right's cynical rhetoric would have been dismissed as dangerous hokum 30 years ago Unions flex

# urning back the welfare clock political





Larry Elliott

NE of the things we have had to learn over the past 17 years is that nothing is ever the Government's fault. The Araba and the unions were to plame for the first Thatcher recession. The Germans and George Soros were respon-sible for Black Wednesday. The Labour Party caused the BSE scare. Anybody but Michael Howard carries the can when another jailbird es-

capes from prison.
Indeed, a student of Conserested in working up a thesis rich and poor. Back in the dent has read Galbratth's Culton how an administration early 60s, when unemploying that exiols the virtues of individual responsibility has social security transfers cas out there, an affluent mathat extols the virtues of indi-vidual responsibility has proved pathologically incapable of saying: "Yes, we got it wrong Sorry". The latest example of this

tendency - although it has been evident throughout the Tories' four terms - is to blame Britain's economic underperformance on the poor. Even when measured by the right's own debased coinage, this is a monumental piece of cynicism.

culture in which the poor | we are the rational economic

and so we have armies of work-shy delinquents, benefit scroungers and single moth-

putting an intolerable

ordinary

The result is that Britain has to pay higher taxes than the dynamic economies of South-east Asia, where wel-fare provision is minimal and growth rates much higher. So all we have to do is cut benefits, prod the poor out of their self-imposed ghetto and, bingo, growth rates will soer. This will be good, not just for those of us who pay taxes but for the poor themselves. Any resistance to this scheme on the part of those dependent on benefits would be an act of

grotesque selfishness.
Thirty years ago, politi-cians would have dismissed this as dangerous hokum, arguing that welfare bills were linked to broad macro-economic conditions, i.e. the chances of the less-fortunate finding a job, and the distri-bution of income between amounted to around 6 per cent of GDP. By the time the jobless total peaked in the recession of the early 1990s they accounted for more than 12 per cent of GDP.

in addition, it would have been pointed out that benefits have become less, not more, generous under the Conservatives. To suggest that people would rather live on benefits, which are bound to fall in Put simply, the thesis is value, rather than take a job this: the generosity of the Welfare State has nurtured a real rewards is to deny that

But these are now deeply unfashionable notions. It is far more convenient to assert that if the poor are either too stupid or too lazy to find a job, that's their problem.

Once, the poor could rely on the parties of the left to de-fend them. No longer. Across the political spectrum the stick has replaced the carrot, as Bill Clinton proved in the US last week when he turned the clock back more than 60 years and removed the New Deal safety net. Clinton's fear was that he

would be branded as "soft" on welfare by Bob Dole, thereby

and what evidence there is that high spending on welfare has a deleterious impact on economic performance.

The first question could

easily have been answered by the social reformers of the 19th Century. By today's standards, they would scarcely be called bleeding heart liberals - yet they realised that disease, malnutrition, poor sani-tation, illiteracy and slums were having a damaging effect on industrial efficiency and productivity. The final flowering of this idea came after the second world war, when Beveridge's social security system was seen as being inextricably bound up with

social security costs are acting as a brake on expansion and prosperity. Even so, the evidence is less than conclusive, as an article by Tony At-kinson in the latest edition of New Economy shows.

According to OECD data, the Netherlands spends around 14 percentage points more of its GDP on accial security than the US — and if the welfare slashers are right this should be reflected in a much higher trend rate of growth in the US. But growth rates in the two countries over the last complete economic cycle (1982-91) were almost identical — 2.9 per cent in the US against 2.7 per cent in the Netherlands.

#### It is the rapid growth of the Asian tigers that has given impetus to the attack on the social safety net

jority that votes and an impoverished (yet sizeable) minority that doesn't. In Britain, we are also

being softened up for the "end of welfare as we know it". The language of political dis-course has already subtly changed, so that even supposedly unbiased reports on radio and TV talk not of the Welfare State but of the Welfare State "burden".

Before going further, it might be worth asking what

the so-called Reagan Demo-crats — back into the arms of the Republicans. The presi-form of collective, historical growth, Atkinson says that

The second point - that there is an inverse relationshin between welfare spending and growth - is now accepted as a truism. Like other such truisms, it deserves careful scrutiny. In absolute terms, it is entirely groundless. Even at the

height of its mid-Victorian splendour, Britain's growth rate was 1-2 per cent per annum, compared to an average of 3 per cent a year during the Golden Age of Welfarism in the 50s and 60s.

Only by looking at Britain's growth rates relative to other originally motivated the countries can the argument vate pension provision is all to bely the poor. But not ploneers of welfare provision he made that burgeoning that it is cracked up to be. And certainly not by us.

two found that the impact of higher social transfers was in-significant, four that they led to lower growth, and four that they caused higher growth.

So, while one piece of research shows that a reduction of 5 percentage points in welfare spending would in-crease the annual growth rate by 1 percentage point, another says that it would decrease it by 0.9 per cent. At-kinson concludes, rightly, that it is hard to see how this welter of evidence is conclusive one way or another. In addition, he questions whether the new fad for pri-

Bob Solow, the US economist, put it neatly when he said that he found the debate about austainablity puzzling because "those who are so ur gent about not inflicting poverty on the future have to explain why they do not attach even higher priority to reduc ing poverty today.

In other words, they say that sacrifices may have to be made

All these issues are well understood by the US State

As a senior official admit-

ted earlier in the year: "You don't want to hurt the banana

trade or the tourist industry.

It destabilises governments, it

destroys jobs, it promotes the drug trade, it increases mi-

gration — it's a world-class headache for the United

States". We agree.
We are therefore appalled

Department.

While accepting that pay as

you-go pensions may reduce the rate of savings, and hence

capital accumulation and

growth, Atkinson says that targeting pensions for the

needy may lead to a savings trap, in which people who have an incentive to dis-save

in order to qualify for the state safety net.

In the end, it has been the rapid growth of the Asian tigers that has given impetus

to the attack on welfare. But

these are catch-up economies

in the way that Japan was in the 50s and 60s. Their growth

rates will moderate as they

reach maturity, just as Ja-pan's did. Slower rates of

crowth will automatically add

to the pressure for increased

welfare spending. If in the

future this pressure is less strong than in the UK, that will be because East Asia is

# muscle in **America**

While Tony Blair keeps organised labour at arm's length, President Clinton woos the workers, writes Jo-Ann Mort

crats open their Convention today in Chicago, they will be riding high on the success of a new minimum wage law which President Clinton signed last week at the White House, surrounded by a sea of

It may appear that raising the US federal minimum wage by 90 cents an hour at a time when Republicans control both houses of the Con-gress was something of a mir-acle, but it wasn't God who brought forth this victory. It was Democratic Party politics played by elements who some in the Democratic hierarchy would like to see banished.

There has been a low-grade war raging for the soul of the search continues for the "New Democrat." Hitherto, the trade union movement was seen as part of the prob-lem, rather than part of the solution. The New Democrats, under the guise of the cen-trist-right leaning Democratic Leadership Council, were willing — even anxious — to dismiss organised labour and shun the working class, seeking the suburban vote. Yet,

even though the Democratic Leadership Council's new pol icy paper states that "organised labour's clout follows its dwindling membership. most analysts have commented on organised labour's rebirth as the unions flex their political muscle. When a new and more mili-

increasing government spending on education now, tant leadership took over the blue-collar union federation AFL-CIO last October, part of recognising that such spending adds to the productive their plan was to strengthen the unions' organising and capacity of a modern knowl-Little of this, however, will a friendlier political environment ice with those intent on ensuring "the end of the Welfare State as we know it" ... because the well point is not because the real point is not new strategy. Without the to help the poor, but to help unions and the legislation's prime mover, Senator Ted Kennedy — the old lion of lib-eralism — this wouldn't have happened. Kennedy's persistence and legislative skill gave Bill Clinton his most strategically useful summer victory by breaking the spine of the Republicans' pro-business agenda. (It is as if Clare Short had delivered Tony Blair a major victory.)
Even while President Clin-

ton keeps moving to capture all available space on the cantre-right, on other issues like welfare, be is solid with the progressives. The force of oldfashioned populism has brought the Democratic Party their most critical victory as the Democratic Convention begins. It was also an achieve-Robert Reich, the most liberal Cabinet Secretary in the Clinton Administration. Reich, whose stance early in the Administration appeared to be a sort of laisser-faire approach to unions, increasingly has become an outspoken union advocate. Reich, a genuine egalitarian, thought he could tame corporate barons through persuasion alone, but he learned the hard way that power still yields nothing without a struggle, even when dealing with so-called enlightened capitalism. Now he is an outspoken supporter of

rights.
The unions are mounting the most impressive election activity in recent memory. However, if the AFL-CIO were only geared up to re-elect Bill Democr Clinton and to dislodge the America

HEN the Demo- | Republican majority from Congress, all its efforts would be in vain. That's why the US trade unions are running this year's election efforts under the banner, "Building to Win, Building to Last". This union friendly politicians, but even more important — to use the election season to rebuild union muscle,

Only about a quarter of the delegates at the Democratic Convention are union members, a convention where no pected anyway. But that number alone means little compared to what unions are doing among their grassroots to mobilise their members around a worker-friendly agenda for economic change which may or may not be synonymous with the Democratic

The minimum wage fight is the first real success of a broader AFL-CIO campaign. America Needs a Raise, which is tapping into the eco-nomic insecurity felt by millions of Americans, To win on the minimum wage issue, the

Hundreds of millions of workers in heavy industry and the public sector fear for their jobs

dented TV commercial cam paign, targeting key Republi-can votes by portraying specific politicians as meanspirited supporters of a corporate agenda.

At a time when growth in the economy appears to be on President Climon's side, the wage disparities are still glaring. So are expectations that better than their parents. Also, while jobs are being created, the shift from jobs in the industrial sector to service and high-tech is leaving millions of middle-age workers in a precarious state, as manuing. Add to that the new pressure to privatise and cut jobs in the public sector, and you have hundreds of millions of urban voters face economic uncertainty, especially when they consider their children's

That is why the AFL-CIO independent issues campaign is resonating among voters. Its success has put the Democrata back in with a chance to regain control of the Congress. Perhaps that's why President Clinton, as poll-conscious as any living politician, has so readily embraced organised labour and this economic plank. Clinton did not let the opposition from the business community dissuade him or

It is ironic that Clinton is embracing the unions just as Tony Blair is pushing them away. It may be that the US unions, once the weakest among the world's industrialised nations, are showing the way for other embattled union

Jo-Ann Mort is a vice-chair of Democratic Socialists of

### Banana plan threatens to crush Caribbean trade

The Borrell proposals, reviewed in Briefing last week, could ruin developing countries which benefit from the present EU tariff regime, writes Gordon Myers

on a complaint instituted by the US, supported by four Latin American countries. The US, which does not export a single banana, is bringing the complaint at the be-hest of Chiquita, one of the world's largest banana pro-ducing companies.

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Ifare act

Cincinnati-based Chiquita produces dollar bananas in a number of Latin American countries. In the States its chairman has made sizeable contributions to political campaigns. including much help to Bob Dole, the Republi-

ARLY next month, the can presidential candidate.

Chiquita has also be associated with the work academic Brent Borre associated with the work of academic Brent Borrell, whose latest report on the BU banana market was reviewed by Sarah Ryle in the Guardian (Briefing, 19 August).

Timed to coincide with the WTO hearing, the Borrell report argues that the EU banana regime is hugaly expensive, wasteful and should be scrapped. Instead, he argues that the developing countries

up to 60 per cent of their ex-port earnings.

This is because the EU benana regime is designed to enable Caribbean producers to make a living from growhigher costs, which arise

sumers pay over \$13 for every \$1 benefit to the growers is based on highly selective sta-tistics, factual error and a haved economic model.

Replacing the regime with a free market, subject only to tariff, and offering direct aid to the Caribbean banana pro ducing countries would ke ducing countries would leave the Caribbean banana indus from natural handicaps of try at the mercy of the big steep terrain, limited size, multinationals, like Chiquita.

EU regime has delivered benefits to the most vulnerable growers

ards. They have been receiv-

soil quality and climatic haz- | All past experience sugget that Caribbean producers which benefit from the ing a price equivalent to \$8- would be quickly driven out regime should receive a \$10 per 401b box, compared to of the market. The Caribbean

mented they would bring ruin and Borrell's claim that control ribbean even if there was a sumers pay over \$13 for every realistic prospect of other who depend on bananas for based on highly selective states. a collapsed banana industry. In reality there is no such prospect. Bananas are the only year

round crop which can be viably cultivated there to pro-duce a regular weekly income to small farmers. It is the only one which can produce again within months

of damage or destruction by storm, floods or hurricanes, which are perennial Carib-bean hazards. Great afforts are nonethe

less being made to develop alternative sources of income but this is only possible grad-ually. And, crucially, these al-ternatives must be developed alongside bananas, because they alone can produce the volumes necessary to justify the weekly shipping service which is a prerequisite for a direct aid subsidy.

Both analysis and prescription are fatally flawed. If the Borrell proposals were imple
So paid for dollar bananas.

Would soon cease to be a banana producer which is a prerequisite for a viable export trade in any other Caribbean product.

#### at the continuing attempts by the US to use WTO mecha-nisms to destroy an industry which accounts for only 3 per cent of world trade in ba-

nanas but which is vital for the political and economic stability of the Caribbean. They should withdraw before they do irreparable damage to small developing countries on their own doorstep.
Gordon Myers is European
Representative of the Caribbean Banana Exporters

#### Indicators

TODAY — UK: Public Holiday.

DES Innulion (Aug).

GER: Producer Prices (July).

US: Existing Home Sales (July). TOMORROW - US: Consumer WEDGESTAY - UK! Whole Trade (June).

THURSDAY - US: Gross Dom Product (Q2). US: New Home Sales (July). FRIDAY -- UK: Const (July). UK: M4 (Finel: July). UK: M4 Lending (Finel: July). PR: Unemployment (July US: Chicago PMI (Aug).

### The think-tank killjoys want bank holidays wiped off the calendar

#### Worm's eye

Dan Atkinson

late-night shipping forecast, many, many of them, for whom bedtime wouldn't be bedtime without Rockall, Viking and the late-lamented Goeree Light Tower Automatic Weather Station. A smaller band of us find similar solace in the italicised announcements

they carry that mixture of importance, obscurity and reassurance.
You know the sort of thing: Candlemas (Scottish Term Day), Full Moon Septuagesima, Waitangi Day, New Moon, Pentecost 3, Michaelmas Law Sittings begin. Gives a shape to the year, doesn't it? Reassures us that each passing day actually means something.
Well, enjoy it while you can. At the fagend of every

in business diaries; just as with the shipping news ways a duff idea or two they carry that mixture of importance, obscurity and reassurance.

You know the sort of thing: Candlemas (Scottish Term Day), Full Moon Septonse (b), the duff idea, like a bad bank bolidays or, better still, no bank bolidays or, bank bolidays or, bank bolidays or, bank bolidays, whose religious origins are deeply

strength to become a full-blown Duff Idea, is the con-cept of "portable" bank holidays or, better still, no bank holidays at all. The same gaggle of goggle-eyed freaks who gave you the poll tax and the pensions fiasco are itching to turn all 365 days of the year into a free-fire some for the market

economy.

As with the modern villain, they've got all the jar
offences (that he is a greedy, Holiday to you all. For now.

overtuse reform of those par-ronising, Victorian institu-tions, bank holidays, whose religious origins are deeply "inappropriate" (an abso-intely key word) in today's go-for-it competitive

economy. Just as the psycho-bab-bling convict wouldn't

#### nority groups, but by the simple fact that they dislike having to switch off their expensive machinery for

and their corporate spon

sors would do anything rather than state unequivo-

against bank holidays is motivated not by some al-truistic desire to protect mi-

cally that their camp

three or four days at a time

#### Tourist rates

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### **Dettori and Carson** banned four days

Chris Hawkins on the British challenge that fell flat in the Deauville stewards' room

were both banned for four days by the Deau-ville stewards yesterday after a dramatic finish to the Prix

Bint Salsabil (Carson) and Bint Shadayid (Dettori) had battled out the finish of the Group Three fillies' prize, with Carson's mount getting

home by a neck.

But following an inquiry, both British-trained challengers were relegated with the race being awarded to the Andre Fabre-trained favourite. Luna Wells, ridden by Thierry Jarnet, who had finished a length back in third.

The incident happened a furlong out when the stewards considered that the British challengers had combined to squeeze out Luna Wells as she launched her challenge. They also decided that Dettori had struck Luna Wells on the head with his whip, impeding her and stopping her from ob-taining first place.

Dettori, who was banned for four days at York on Wednesday, could now reach the 12-day threshold under the totting-up system, and if

Goodwood on Saturday

when he simply cozed class in the Teleprint Celebra-

tion Mile. This elegant, little colt

was right back to the form

which won him the 2,000 Guiness and finally settled the argument about whether the watering of the track at Newmarket, where

it was thought he might

have run on faster ground, had unduly influenced the

result of the Classic — he

beat Alhaarth by four and a

quarter lengths on Satur-day compared to six in the

Mark Of Esteem boosts Guineas

MARK OF ESTEEM was | said: "Looking back to the the star of the show at | Guineas, trainers com-

form with Celebration victory

RANKIE DETTORI | he commits another offence. plinary Committee at Portman Square.

John Dunlop, Bint Salsabil's trainer, looked upset after the stewards had announced their decision, describing it as "harsh."

The suspension of the two jockeys will take effect from

Earlier, Strategic Choice, ridden by Richard Quinn, maintained Paul Cole's excellent record in the Grand Prix de Deauville when the 7-1 shot held the big local hope, Tarator, by a neck in a driving finish.
It was Cole's fourth victory

In the historic Dearwille race, and Strategic Choice carried the same colours as Snurge who had won the race twice for him,

George Duffleld and Sir Mark Prescott, after hitting the headlines at York last week with Pivotal, were the centre of attention again at Goodwood yesterday when Red Camellia trotted-up in the big race, the Group Three Crowson Prestige Stakes.
Red Camillia won by an

plained that the ground

was different across the

track, from the stands' side

to the middle of the track."
"But Mark Of Rateem an-

nihilated Alhaarth and

Beauchamp King again today and Bijou d'Inde has proved to be high class. Nick Lees should be given some credit back. He didn't

Saturday's win left the Godolphin team to contem-

plate an exciting autumn

that will take Mark Of Es-

teem back to Ascot for the Queen Elizabeth II Stakes

Prescott said that Pivotal who gave him a first Group One win in last week's Nunthorpe Stakes, is likely to have only one more run this season, probably in the Prix de L'Abbaye, after which a decl-sion will be made whether he stays in training next year.

The outcome should really depend on whether the French star, Anabas, a four-year-old, is retired. If he takes up stud duties the way will be clear for Pivotal to dominate ible Classic contenders, and with an immensely impressive debut at Goodwood on

official six lengths from Fer nanda, but was allowed to coast home by Duffield and that distance.

Not surprisingly, the filly and Willie Carson he would automatically be by Polar Falcon, the same sire sent to the Jockey Club Disci- as Pivotal, had her odds slashed for the 1,000 Guineas and David Hood of Hill's cut her from 25-1 to tens. Dazzle. trained by Michael Stoute, remains the solid favourite at

> Prescott has no doubts that Red Camillia, a lengthy, rather unfurnished filly, will stay a mile, and is looking at races over that distance next — either the May Hill Stakes at Doncaster or the Ascot Fillies Mile.
> "She should stay a mile as

her dam, although a winner over five furlongs, is half sister to Ibn Bey and Roseate Tern," said Prescott, who millia in an undemanding little race at Carlisle. "What a marvellous week

it's been for me, George, Polar Falcon and the Thompsons, he added. "I've never seen Po "I feel like I'm on another planet. I'm a non-drinker, but feel drunk with elation and imagine this is how it must feel after an all-night bender

at the Clonmel coursing festival.'

the European sprint picture. Back to next season's poss-Fleet River, trained by Henry Cecil, entered calculations

This Khaled Abdulla-owned filly powered home by nine lengths in the Solent Maiden Stakes, and the 16-1 being offered by Hill's quickly be-came 12-1 after several seri-



Sky's the limit . . . Matthew Henry powers home on Sky Dome in the Mail On Sunday Mile Handicap at Goodwood yesterday PROTOGRAPH FRANK BARC

### Proton looks ready to sparkle again

Moet & Chandon Silver Magnum Handicap (the amateurs' Derby) at Epsom last year and has a great chance of repeating the performance this afternoon, writes Chris Hazakins

Proton, to be ridden by last year's winning jockey Tim McCarthy, has dropped in the weights after four unsuccessful efforts this season and meets Casual Water, whom he beat by half a length in this last year, on 141b better terms. Although Proton has not attracted the judge's eye, he ran as if coming back to form when a close fifth to Better Off at Ascot last month.

Since the Moet race was

put me off Proton (3.25) who looks to have been primed especially. The card starts with the Tadworth Nursery in which Michael Stoute has booked the promising apprentice Matthew Henry for Colombia

Owl, have won it in succes-

sive years, but this does not

This filly ran third to Compton Place at Salisbury at the beginning of the month, and the form looks useful in view of the winner's subsequent blistering effort when second to Abou Zouz in the

Gimcrack Stakes.

Midnight Spell (2.50) likes the programme begins with a sharp track and could protein UK Land Estates Handithe Exhibition Ale Blaydon brought him to the boil.

This four-year-old filly is in form, and clocked a decent time at Bath recently. She has won at Brighton, which is the next best thing to being an

Epsom course winner.

If Colombia can win the opener it will be a pointer to Polish Warrior (3.58) in the Ladas Maiden Stakes.

This Peter Chapple-Hyam trained two-year-old was caught inside the final furlong at Salisbury last time, having finished two and a half lengths behind Colombia on his debut.

There is some competitive

EG AKEHURST sad- first run in 1963 only two | vide Henry with a double in | cap. Planty have a chance | Race Nursery and Demolities | Cap. Planty have a chance | Race Nursery and Demolities | Cap. Planty have a chance | Race Nursery and Demolities | Cap. Planty have a chance | Race Nursery and Demolities | Cap. Planty have a chance | Race Nursery and Demolities | Cap. Planty have a chance | Race Nursery and Demolities | Cap. Planty have a chance | Race Nursery and Demolities | Cap. Planty have a chance | Race Nursery and Demolities | Cap. Planty have a chance | Race Nursery and Demolities | Cap. Planty have a chance | Race Nursery and Demolities | Cap. Planty have a chance | Race Nursery and Demolities | Cap. Planty have a chance | Race Nursery and Demolities | Cap. Planty have a chance | Race Nursery and Demolities | Cap. Planty have a chance | Race Nursery and Demolities | Cap. Planty have a chance | Race Nursery and Demolities | Cap. Planty have a chance | Race Nursery and Demolities | Cap. Planty have a chance | Race Nursery and Demolities | Cap. Planty have a chance | Race Nursery and Demolities | Cap. Planty have a chance | Ca ine Quest likely to start favourite, but I prefer Fame Again (2.05) as an each-way proposition.
The Lynda Ramsden-

trained filly has disappointed twice since being short-headed at Newmarket last month, but that indicated she has a race in her and this

seven furlongs looks ideal. Harbour Island (2.35) travels up from Newmarket for the Newcastle Sporting Club Handicap and, with the Stoute stable in form, can be fancied to improve on an unplaced effort behind Corra-

tion Man (3.05) will be a popular selection after being caught on the line at York last week. He meets his con-queror, Pension Fund, again. but has a 51b pull now and this should enable him to take his revenge.

At Ripon punters can start well with Unknown Territory (2.10) while Multico-loured (2.40) may make Walter Swinburn's journey worthwhile.

In the Ripon Rowels Handicap Boilin Frank (3.10) looks reasonably treated with 8st. He came back after a five

#### Epsom card with form for TV races

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2.20 TADWORTH HURSLEY HANDICAP 240 71 CRASS 

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1860 GARTHUR Reserve attrict, score provident, outgood final 2, last of 6, bot 5, to Perfect Briss (Thirsk 6)

2.50 INDIGENOUS HANDICAP IN C10,309 MD9 4-4-4

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40-10 SPRING (30) (CD ) R ANGINES (6-10-13

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OA100 SARRAK (19) (0) M Jervis 9-4

C1306 SEP JIG (23) P Hanson 8-13

IG1142 BRAZCOBAR (12) (0) P Halon 8-17

C11-5 SEPET WILHELMER (270) (0) Lock in STAN POLAR PROPERT (13) B Hanbury 8-6

6-6500 PORTUGUESE LS (8) D Nicola 8-4

18004 RESEL COUNTY (8) (0) A Balley 8-0

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TOP FORM TIPE: Specified 8, Robel County 7, Salvain 8 Belatings 4-1 Sweet Wilhelmins, 9-2 Rebet County, 5-1 Sancinti, 6-1 Akstars Express, 7-1 Sabrak, Stop Jig Polar Proghed. 4.55 CICIEG CLAMING STAKES 270 1:4 24 CS,266

803-45 CHOCOLATE ICE (8) C Cyper 9-7

--CYCOL BALLPOINT (14) FI Harmon 9-3

--CYCOL BALLPOINT (15) FI HARMON (17) J Berry 3-12

VAINA MELLY'S COURSE (7) TO N Calleghan 8-4

30-40 C HERRY GARDEN (47) T Neighton 8-4

LOSSEE WERGERUT (5-6) M Haymes 7-12

letting: 3–1 Ussky Buy, Nelly's Couels, 5–2 Ballpoint, 5–1 Wingsul, 7–1 Wingsk 4–1 Chacolate Ice 5.25 CHORWOOD MADEN STAKES 3YO TI CS,745

E-0824 ASHANTI DANIGER (72) M Hayles 8-9 .

B BALLES (731) J Series 6-9 .

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B CO PROME THE PORT (1005) Mor P DEGLES 6-9 .

TOP FORM TIPS Grand Markes 6, Bellesty 7, Harmston 6

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 EPSOM: 5.25 Animation. HUNTINGDON: 2.15 Ray River; 3.15 Court Jester NEWCASTLE: 3.05 Tasik Chini. Raven Master; 4.40 Not A Lot. NEWTON ABBOT: 2.30 Auvillar; 3.30 Miss Dotty; 4.00 Reefa's Mill; 5.00 The Minder. RIPON: 4.45 Nawaji, Gunner B Special. WARWICK: 3.30 Just Millie, Colebrook

#### Newcastle programme with form for televised races

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2.05 UK LAND ENTATES CUP HANDICAP 74 C7,100 J-D W. LAND ESTATES COP RANDICAP 71 C7,100
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-1-1527 ASKLAR (22) (D) H. Thomson Jones 3-9-10
-1525 ASKLAR (22) (D) H. Thomson Jones 3-9-10
-15265 FAME AGAIN (11) (D) Mrs. J. Rameden 4-9-8
-152701 RANDS (44) (D) (SP) Mrs. J. Subtis 6-8-8
-10245 JO MEZI, (44) (D) (SP) T Essterby 3-9-7
-152702 KASTIOR PORD (12) (D) (B) Mrs. V Anceley 6-9-1
-11-105 LAY THE BLAND (19) W. Lartes 3-9-2
-252502 PRIEMA (19) (D) C. Settom 6-9-2
-252512 PRIEMA (19) (D) C. Settom 6-9-2
-252512 PRIEMA (19) (D) C. Settom 6-9-1
-252512 PRIEMA (19) (D)

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TOP FURNITIPS: Halvagira 8, Unitarries Territory 7, Fearless Covalier Setting: 5-2 Netwaste 3-2 Petrine Gray, 8-1 My Bessy. Unincent Territory, 3-1 Feetiss Casalor, 8-1 Styers Tryon 14-1 Juley Ting. 12 minimum 2.40 GRASSINGTON MARDEN STAKES 370 1m 4f 65pds 13,586

TOP FORM TIPS: Busy Flight S, Multicolou Bettlings 6-4 Stury Fleght, 9-4 Multicoloured, 3-1 Mount Pleasant, 5-1 Mountain Holly, 16-1 Give And Take 3.10 REPOR ROWELS HANDICAP (m. 03,881 

Settlers 5-5 Salesmen, 7-2 Almond Rock, 5-1 Montrig Articu, Bollie Frank, 6-1 Ibles, 8-1 Spenish Verdic 17-1 Knotty Hdi.

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2214 THE LANSTON WORM (17) (D) Deeps Smith 8-11
41227 YOUNG BICHING (27) (D) J Sery 8-11
10 DAYLGHIT DEEPAMIN (4) (C) C CYST 8-6
12321 JUST VISITING (V) (CD) Cept J Wilson 8-5 TOP FORM TIPE: hutisa Rocket S. Young Blowie 7 Bettings 7-2 Indian Rockst, 4-1 Young Bigong, 9-3 For Your Eyes Cely, 5-1 Daylight Dreams, 8-1 Quals Cay, Just Visiting, 7-1 The Lambion Worm, 4.15 SUMMER REDGE HANDICAP BYO of CL.720

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00-0216 BEDGE KAST (26) (37) (37) FARTON 9-3
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33-911 ALTANARIA (12) (D) J Goston 3-8-1
31-801 SCARLET FILENE (32) J Disting 3-8-12
20033-0 HONTON (2:1) DISTING (3:1) Befinet 6-8-11
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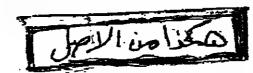
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5.10 TELEWEST COMMUNICATIONS MADDEN STAKES 3YO 1m (A,143 1 S-CN STRYE OF CAUTION (81) (MF) J Donion 9-0
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2 63- INCRYPSE (249) R Charles 3-8-11 T Spanks 5

3 4 FINAN (57) C Bensteed 3-8-11 Milysham 5

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5 CARTQUCKE (19) M Present 2-10

50 COURT HOUSE (19) M Present 2-10

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1056 MERISHAN DARGER (10) S MICHALIN 3-7

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1 00450 BYUKET WEELEY (28), J. Eustees 4-10-1

2 48-22 GOLDBAR ARROW (27), M Pro 15-7

3 4-01100 STORPIN (28), (CD) Miss H Knight 5-9-5

4 5-022 BOLD CALASEC (15) (28), J. Dusting 3-0-1

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Second Test: S Africa 26, N Zealand 33 All Blacks the best yet

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Rugby Union

IFTEEN-MAN rugby is one of the great cli-ches of the game but after New Zealand's oric win on Saturday the tired old expression has taken on a new meaning. In beating the Springboks and thus sealing their first series victory in South Africa, the All Blacks provided the planet with a glimpse of the rugby of the future. They cannot claim the title of world champions again until 1999 but these All Blacks clearly deserve the honour of world-beaters and are, perhaps, the best team ever to leave New Zealand's

The key to their superjority is the quality of their support play and the astounding ball handling and passing skills from full-back to tight-head prop. The precision of their passing, and their incomparaling errors, increases their attacking potential dramatic-ally and has added a new dimension to the game.

This was never better dem-onstrated than in Jeff Wilson's first try when, after the scrum-half Justin Marshall broke 30 metres upfield, the immediate support came from the two lock forwards, steaming up on the outside. Two perfectly executed passes from Robin Brooke, then Ian Jones, and Wilson flashed

best example of all-round skill, and of a prototype of rugby players of the future, must be the outstanding No. 8 Zinzan Brooke. He scored a classic No. 8's try in the first half, going over unopposed from a scrum five yards out, then in the same way as he had crucifled England in the World Cup semi-final, he dropped a goal from 35 metres with full-time up on the clock. No other forward in interna-tional rugby would have dared attempt it but Brooke has such accomplished allround skills that his kick sailed elegantly over.

The only sour note of the day came when the Springbok management complained management complained over a stiff-arm tackle by New Zealand's Sean Fitzpatrick on the opposing captain Gary Teichmann. But the South Africans will not be citing Fitzpatrick. "That would appear to be sour grapes," said Morne du Plessis, South Africa's manager.

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International: Wales 31, Barbarians 10

### **Anxious Wales** accentuate the negative

Robert Armstrong in Cardiff

ELSH rugby's fever-ish attempts to sell it-self to a sceptical, pennywise public were not helped by an anxiety-ridden win against the Barbarians that underlined a persistent poverty of tactics. A crowd of was replaced by Swansea's only 19,000 turned up for what Paul Arnold. That umpleasant nated a full international, placing an embarrassing question mark over its decision to award caps for, effec-tively, a pre-season work-out. The Wales captain Jona-

than Humphreys com-pounded the prevailing air of unreality by insisting after-wards that this low-key affair "had all the intensity of a Five Nations match, very fast and physical". Frantic was more like it. Wales's efforts were marked by desperation

rather than intensity.

Development at senior level cannot come a moment too soon. The Wales management have made it their policy to give youth its head, yet there was precious little evidence that lasting lessons have been learned from their unsuccessful Australian tour in May and June. Far from seeking to expand the game whenever they came under pressure, as the Wallabies tend to do, Wales decided to take on the Barbarians up front and fo-cused their efforts on merely "getting a result".

Like England, Wales are

hoping to set up annual Tests

against Australia and South Africa, whom they play this autumn, but regular fixtures against quality opposition will be meaningful only if the Welsh foster the dynamic, interactive football seen in the southern hemisphere's Tri-Nations series this summer. Kevin Bowring, the Wales coach, put a brave face on a performance that revealed familiar weaknesses without hinting at genuine long-term solutions. He said: "It was pleasing to win and to score five tries but there was disappointment in the dressing-room because the players know they could have scored twice as many tries. We have to become more penetrative and far more ruthless in possession."

The young flankers Kingsley Jones and Martyn Williams both showed flery commitment in their first

mitment in their first international but a number of the backs looked bereft of creative ideas. Neil Jenkins at fly-haif all too rarely offered his three-quarters positive op-

tions; Leigh Davies, last sea-son's impressive find, was more shadow than substance; and Ieuan Evans, through no fault of his own, was reduced to anonymity for long

In the second half Derwyn Jones, the 6ft 10in Cardiff lock, received ironic cheers from a section of the crowd when he approval of Jones's lacklustre contribution but also exposed the widening chasm between professional players and spec-tators whose threshold of tolerance has diminished dramatically since the promise of last winter.

As for the Barberians, they maintained their enterprising policy of bringing rising French stars before the British public. David Arrieta, the Biarritz full-back, showed he is an exciting club successor to Serge Blanco, and the cen-tres Richard Dourthe and Stephane Glas suggested they can be skilful, incisive runners given half a chance. David Corkery, the Ireland flanker, who has been swiftly dubbed Madman by his Bristol team-mates, was a power-

ful presence in the loose. Indeed the Barbarians, who trailed 12-5 throughout the third quarter, broke from defence with enough style to promise another victory after their triumphs in Ireland and Scotland. In the first half Arran Pene, the Kiwi No. 8, plundered a close-range try, which was sandwiched between scores by Nigel Davies and Wayne Proctor, but subsequently the invitation side's counter-attacks were

frustrated by frenzied cover defence.

In the final quarter Cor-kery's bullish touchdown came too late to upset the hosts, who had established a comfortable cushion of points with further tries by Hum-phreys, Nigel Davies and Robert Howley. It was a pity it all resembled rugby by numbers.

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#### Tigers face French test in final

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Steve Hackney claimed a
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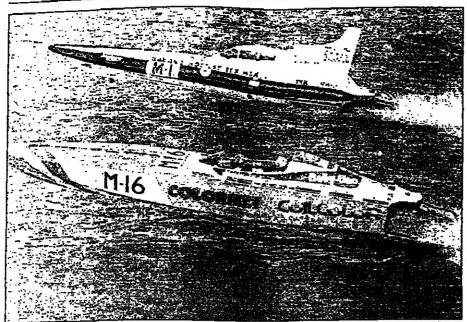
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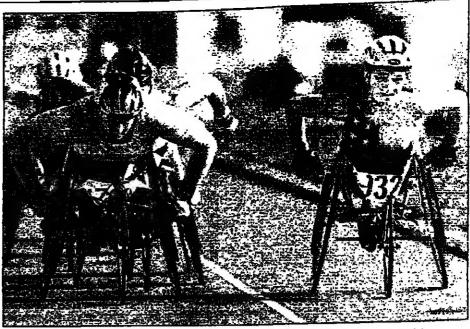
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**Equestrianism** 

Motorcycling

Motocross

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Motorcycling

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(Sigulati); 9, M Flutter (Ducall); 10, D Jefferica (Fionda).

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Motocross

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Standard Liege 3, Molenbeek 0, Anderlacht 2, Lokeren 2; Corcle Brugge 2, Mouscron 2, Antwerp 1, Lommel 4; Gnenl 3
Asim 2; Lerse 4, Charleto 0, Sin Truidon
3, Eberen 1, Landing standards 1, Ghoni (P4, Philip); 2, Standard Liege (4-9), 3
Glub Brugge (4-8)

PORTUGUESE LEAGUE: Saturday: Bo-lenenses 2, Boavista 4.

**Fixtures** 

Soccer

Motor Racing

BELGIAN GP (Spa-Francorchamps): 1. M
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(Can) Williams 3. M Halkinen (Fin)
McLarer; 4. J Akeal (Fr) Benetton; 5. D Hill
(GR) Williams 6. G Berger (Auf) Benetton;
7. M Salo (Fin) Tyrreli: 8. U Katayams;
10. P Lamy (Por) Minardi. Died mot finishen
11. D Coulthard (GB) McLard J 12. Environe;
12. M Brundle (GB) Jordan 34: 13. E
17. D Coulthard (GB) Harrichello
(GR) Jordan 29: 15. P Dintz (Gr) Ligler 23:
16. J Verstappen (Neth) Arrows 11. Died
16. State (Fr) Ligler; J Herbort
(GB) Sauber; H-H Frantzen (Ger) Sauber;
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(Neth); P Dintz (Br) 1. Coustriobner
championable 1, Williams 149pts; 2. BenJordan 15; 6, Ligler 14; 7, Sauber 10. 8,
17 Tyrrell 5; 9, Footwork 1.

**Motor Racing** 

**Motor Sport** 

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1:17.063; 3. R Ravaglia (II) 83xW 200
1:17.065; 5. Rickard Rydell (Swe) Voivo
850, 1.17.140, Round 22x 1. Winkelhock
1:26.567; 2. Rydell 1:26.967; 3. J Thompson
(GB) Vaunhall Vectra 1:27.086; 4. Hoy
1:27.227; 5. D Leelle (GB) Honda Accord
1:27.307.
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Toyota Gelica; 3. M Gronholm (Fin) Toyota Celica.

Road Running

GREAT SCOTTESH RUN GLASS MALE MARATHON (Glasgow) Mess 1. J. Klebov (Kon) the 2min 27ser; 2. S. Marin Keni 12:30; 3. B Marya (Ken) 1:2:4; Wenner; 1. F Sullanova (Rus) 1:3:22; 2. D Sanderson (Watord Harriera) 1:16:39; 3. H Heining (City of Gissgow) 1:17:0.1 Snooker

GERMAN OPEN (Blackpool): Fifth rounds J Reynolds (Wales) bt | Dodangods (Sri Lants) 5-2.

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Baseball

**Bowls** 

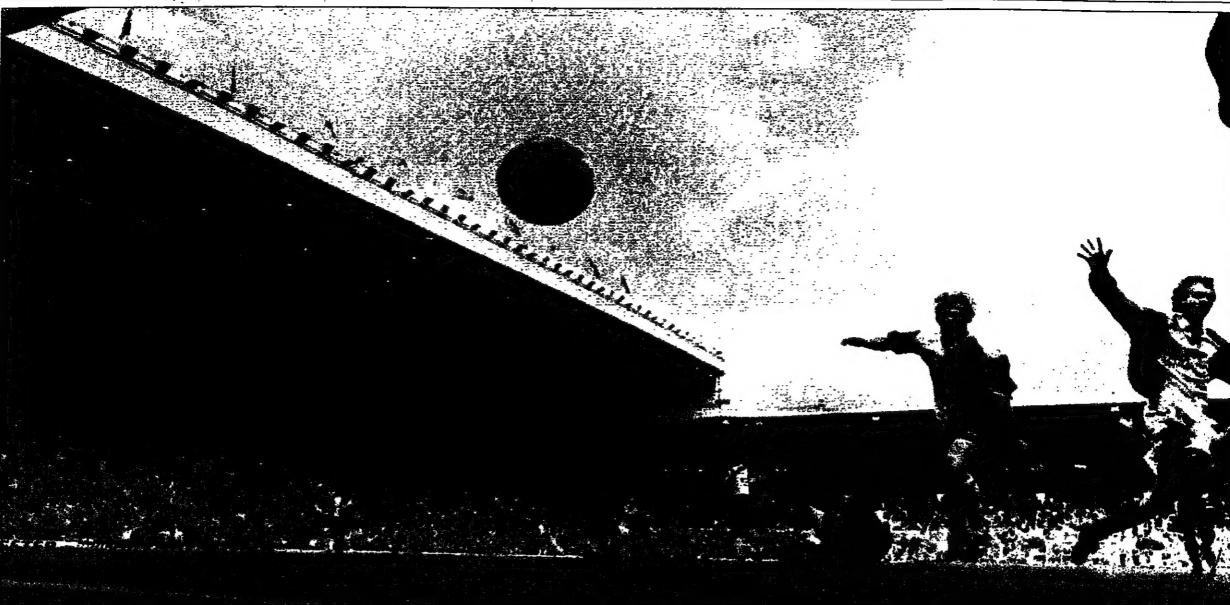
Cycling

MATIONAL LEAGUE: Atlants 6, Chickego 5; Houston 3, St Louis 1; Los Angeles 7, New York 5; Montireal 3, San Francisco 0; Florida 5, Chichmati 3; Colorado 9, Pilabargh 3; San Diego 7, Philadelphia 1, Almerca 4, Edwolf 5, Boston 9, Seattle 5; Milwaykee 4, Ceveland 3 (10trus); Baltimore 5, California 4, Toronto 9, Chicago 2; New York 5, California 4, Toronto 9, Chicago 2; New York 5, California 4, Kanasa City 9, Detroit 2; Mirnesota 6, Texas 5.

MENTS ALL ENGLAND CHAMPION-SHIPS (Working): Finals Clumpion of Champions: Simples: James bi Morgen 21-11. Triples: British Culophane bi Cowes Medina 21-17. County Top Fours: Stockinghamshire bi Essex 18-17. National County B-25 Two Fours: Comment by Cumbria 46-33.

SWiss GRAND PRIX (Zurich, 2025m): 1. A Ferrigate (II) Sir 57min 52sec; 2. M Bar-tell (IV): 3. Musecum (Bel). Leading World Cup standinger 7. Musecum 182pts; 2. Ferrigate 112; 3. Bartell 108.

PISOI aditi



Sky high . . . Jordi Cruyff wheels away after scoring Manchester United's first goal at Old Trafford yesterday, following a mistake by the Blackburn Rovers defender Colin Hendry

**Premiership:** Manchester United 2, Blackburn Rovers 2

# Rovers denied a sweet sensation

David Lacey

LL of a sudden Manchester United are a home defeat waiting to happen. It is 20 months since they last lost at Old Trafford in the Premiership but in less than a week Ever-ton and now Blackburn Rovers have led the champions on their own ground be-fore being held to 2-2 draws.

Yesterday Blackburn were denied the sweetest of vic-tories by a baby-faced 23-year-old Norwegian, Ole Gunnar Solskjaer, who within nine

But for the goalkeeping of Tim Flowers Manchester United would have won the game in the closing minutes, an outcome which would have done scant justice to the

way Rovers had controlled the better part of it.

Blackburn were still en-titled to take more satisfac-tion from the afternoon. They came to Old Trafford point less and goalless after defeats by Tottenham and Aston Villa. The departure of Alan Shearer to Newcastle United,

league appearance for United the golf course, had left backs May and Pallister in brought the scores level for Ewood Park in a state of the first 45 minutes, Blackshock and Manchester United's summer-long overtures to the England striker had hardly improved relation-

But yesterday, playing

without an orthodox centreforward and dominating the midfield for an hour, Blackburn took on United at their own counter-attacking game and preyed on the generous amount of space Alex Ferguson's defence continued to allow the opposition.

minutes of making his first | rather than Kenny Dalglish to | tween the United centre- | ity sprang from the command | on Solskjær for May, John- | when Gallacher met Ripley's | midfield pressure eased and league appearance for United | the golf course, had left | backs May and Pallister in established in midfield by Bo- | sen reverted to his normal po- | centre from the left with a | victory slipped away. burn could have won the match by half-time.

Ray Harford, the Rovers manager, thought so. "We should have been at least two goals clear by then," he said,
"but we were getting people
into good positions and then
choosing the wrong options."
Certainly Blackburn should have exploited the regularity with which Donis, their free Greek from Panathinaikos, was turning United's defence

on the right Considering the number of Essentially, however, times Gallacher appeared be Blackburn's initial superior-

hinen - a member of the Nottingham Forest side who were the last to win in the league at Old Trafford, in December

1994 - and Tim Sherwood. were given a foretaste of how difficult life is likely to be until Keane returns after a knee operation. Their other Norwegian signing Johnsen filled in for Keane adequately enough but without providing the drive the Irishman gives the team. Butt, another casu-

alty, was also missed. After Ferguson had made a sition at centre-back. But to the last United were vulnerable at the back.

In fact they were again out of sorts all round. Beckham is not the first young footballer to be dazed at the prospect of playing for England and it showed. Cantona was stifled by tight covering until late on and only the swift inter-changes of position between Giggs and Cruyff unsettled Blackburn's defenders.

Even then Rovers rather allowed Manchester United

glancing header and War-hurst forced the ball in, Schmeichel having failed to hold it on the goalline. Five minutes later Hendry, at-tempting to nod Schmeichel's long clearance back to Flowers, merely set up Cruyff to lob the scores level. Five minutes after half-time

Bohinen gathered a ball from Sherwood on the right, drew clear of McClair and turned inside Irwin before beating Schmeichel at the near post to restore Blackburn's lead Then Rovers began to think of

Solskjaer, skilful and quick,

was an immediate influence touched on another huge kick from Schmeichel and the young Norwegian volleyed in United's second goal on the rebound after seeing Flowers then denied Old Trafford a win with late saves from Pal-

lister and Beckham.
"That was the best Blackburn have played against us in recent years," Ferguson admitted. But Rovers would have preferred three points to

Nottingham Forest 1, Middlesbrough 1

### Emerson and Jerkan add and Batty doubt to traditional virtues

David Lacey

HERE was a time when a match between Not-tingham Forest and Middlesbrough would have represented the mainstream of English league football. This would have applied, moreover, in whatever div-ision the fixture happened to be played.

Because the clubs share a tradition of good passing, these games would often develop a pleasing flow. If Brian Clough was playing, goals for Middles brough were guaranteed; if he was managing, goals against Forest would have to be carved

out of granute.

To score against Middlesbrough it was necessary to overrun ramparts manned by such ironsides as Spraggon and Boum. Burns and Lloyd barred the way for Forest and, even if these defenders were beaten, there was still the small matter of putting

the ball past Shilton. Times change. When an encounter between Boro and Forest depends, to a large extent, on two Brazilians and an Italian outwitting a Croatian and a Norwegian, then things are hardly what they used to be.

Yet even before Stuart Pearce, that most English of footballers, delivered a leftfooted rocket of a free-kick into the far corner of the Middiesbrough net to gain Not-tingham Forest a point at the City Ground on Saturday it was clear that overseas im-ports alone will not de-Anglicise the Premiership. In fact this match, which

In fact this match, which after a studious prelude provided a second half of exhibitating cut-and-thrust, suggested that, far from turning the English game into a hybrid, the skills being bought from abroad will enhance its traditional virtues of speed, positions and the will to win. resilience and the will to win. Take Emerson, a dark, shaggy haired tree trunk of a midfielder who is already looking a snip at £4 million. Having played for Porto on

league rarely sees matches of such sustained pace. Emerson enjoyed himself hugely. He clearly loves a hard tackle and his strength in winning the ball lay at the heart of Middlesbrough's first-half superiority. His presence has given Teesside's original Brazilian, Juninho, a new meaning to life.

Early in the second half Emerson strode clear of Allen and Bart-Williams on the right and, with the Forest de-fence strung out like a line of washing, laid the ball square to Juninho, who drove it past Crossley from 20 yards.

"At times we were trying to score from impossible angles," Bryan Robson observed after the game. "If we had crossed the ball instead of shooting, Barmby must have found the net."

For a manager who has seen the season-ticket money spent on Ravanelli but after three matches has yet to see Middlesbrough win, Robson's general state of calm offered a sharp contrast to the wailing and gnashing of teeth a few miles up the north-east coast.

miles up the north-east coast. Then again, he has the advantage of not being a Messiah. However, given the amount of possession Robson's team enjoyed, and the fact that they finished the match playing

Commentary | swept across in the second | had Ravanelli reproduced the hair. But the Portuguese | finishing touch which had brought him a hat-trick against Liverpool on the opening day. Instead the Ital-ian suffered an afternoon of scuffed opportunities and came off looking footsore.

Two of the reasons why Ra-vanelli made less of an impact were an unyielding Croatian obstacle called Jerkan and the inspired Pearce.

Playing in a three-man de-fence which at times struggled to cope with Middles-brough's mobility up front, Pearce's performance augured well for England. His equaliser, driven merringly past Miller from the right-hand corner of the penalty area midway through the second half, added momentum to a knowledge to retire the second half, added momentum to a knowledge to the second half, added momentum to a knowledge to the second half, added momentum to a knowledge to the second half, added momentum to a knowledge to the second half, added momentum to a knowledge to the second half, added momentum to a knowledge to the second half and the second half added to the second ha tum to a Forest revival.

Either side could have grabbed a winning goal in the closing minutes of a match which offered a strong reminder that the Premiership is not only about Alex Ferguson, Kevin Keegan and whoever happens to be managing Arsenal this week. It was a pity the referee, Mike Riley, seemed to be watching a different game. He cau-tioned nine players, six of them visitors, and ended the match by sending off the Boro defender Pearson for a second bookable offence. As Robson



## McManaman out for Moldova

Cirst England squad shrank further yesterday with the withdrawal of Liverpool's Steve in McManaman and Robbie in Powler from the party which will travel to Mol-dova for Sunday's opening World Cup qualifying fix-ture, writes Ian Ross.

The Liverpool pair aggravated injuries during Sat-urday's goalless draw with Sunderland at Anfield and there was further bad news for Hoddle with Newcastle's Steve Howey and David Batty also reporting

injuries. Everton's 27-year-old uncapped left-back Andy Hinchcliffe was yesterday added to the squad from which Tottenham's Darren Anderton withdrew last

Friday.

McManaman is suffering from the recurrence of a long-standing hamstring problem while Fowler requires further treatment on a painful lower back

on a painful lower back injury.

"Believe me, both of them are very upset because they desperately wanted to be involved in this particular fixture." said Mark Leather, Liverpool's physiotheraulit physiotherapist.

"After three games in eight days both men are suffering somewhat. They will have scans and X-rays in midweek and we will take it from there." Howey, who missed Euro

96 after damaging a liga-ment, broke a toe in Saturday's game against Shef-field Wednesday while Batty sprained an ankle. Both are rated doubtful for Sunday's game.
All four of the injured

travelled down to meet up with the team at their **Buckinghamshire** hotel last night. Hinchcliffe's elevation comes as a major surprise, although Hoddle is without the injured Phil Neville of Manchester United and

Blackburn's Graeme Le The former Manchester

City defender made a single England Under-21 appear-ance against Denmark in a goalless draw at Watford's Vicarage Road ground in September 1988. Hinchcliffe. who is renowned for his dead-ball prowess, has been selected ahead of Aston Villa's Alan

Wright as the understudy to Stnart Pearce, who has been persuaded to continue his international career.

# with three men up in pursuit of victory, they should have scored more than once. Robson's point about Barmby was well made. Yet it would have been academic said: "There wasn't one bad tackle in the game." The Leeds official is new to the Premiership list. Another robo-ref is about the last thing English football needs right now. Referee given escort after throw-in goal at Barnsley

given an equalising goal two from the Portuguese club Fel-minutes before the break in the First Division match that Barnsley eventually won 3-1. The referee ruled that Andy
Morrison had got his head to
Tom Cowan's long throw but
furious Barnsley players and
officials claimed the ball
for six months against Wim-

GURNAM SINGH, the Wolverhampton referee, needed a police escort as he left the Oakwell pitch at half-time yesterday. Barnsley supporters were incensed after visitors Huddersfield were estated to the support of the new season was eventually settled by the Trinidadian import Clint Marcelle, signed on a free transfer content at a left the support of th

looped over the Huddersfield bledon at Elland Road centre-back as well as the Barnsley goalkeeper David fering hamstring trouble.

Soccer results, page 14

West Ham United 2, Southampton 1

### Le Tissier the invisible man

**Nell Robinson** 

S Matthew Le Tissier's name was announced before kick-off a sliver of lightning split the East London skyline, apparently on course to frazzle Barking. Rolls of thunder followed, then rain and finally brilliant

It was as if the elements were settling down for Le Tis to do the Biz, whip-cracking a 40-yard free-kick into Ludo Miklosko's top corner. But lightning never strikes twice: Le Tissier was hardly notice able. Never did a thing,

really.

All of which will be of interest, if not concern, to Glenn Hoddle who was rapidly re-doing his calculations last night when McManaman joined Anderton on the England casualty list for the trip to Moldova.

By all accounts Le Tissier had been no more visible against Leicester in midweek and at Southampton the pre-vious Sunday. Le Tissier ad-mits to being "disappointed" by his current form and even

his club manager Graeme might just fit West Ham's cur-Sourcess says that "he's not rent obsession with all things really started yet this

The most frequent criticism levelled at Le Tissier is lack of pace and mobility. Add to that a disturbing tendency to give the ball away and you could be forgiven for thinking that he would do well to hold down a place in Scunthorpe Stiffs. In fact he remains a wonderfully gifted footballer restricted by playing in an ob-

viously average team.
"He was disappointing,"
said Slaven Bilic, West Ham's eloquent Croatian who had little trouble mastering Le Tissier's limited threat. "I made a point of going over to him at the end to congratulate him on his England call-up. He deserves it because he is one of the most skilful players in the Premiership.

"But, with all respect to Southampton, it would be easier for him and he would show more talent if he were to play in a better side. I mean Manchester United or even West Ham - yes, we should spend a few quid on him."

As a Channel Islander he

continental.

misguided. The Portuguese Futre was magnificent on Saturday, a shimmering streak of hair and heart who tor-mented Southampton with his pace. Romania's Radu-cioiu, a first-half substitute for Rieper, also impressed and, had Dowie not been in clod-hopper mode, West Ham

As it was, their two goals proved sufficient after Heaney had put Southampton ahead with a 19th-minute chip over Miklosko. The equaliser eventually came on 73 minutes when Hughes hit a stunning left-foot volley past Beasant. Eight minutes later Mr Elleray awarded a penalty when Dumitrescu stumbled over Dodd, and Dicks did the

needful.
The visitors' discomfort was made all the more acute when Benali was sent off for dismembering Futre late on. One week gone and already Southampton's problems are mounting. They can expect more of the same.

Liverpool 0, Sunderland 0

#### Collymore and Liverpool less than clear-cut

N a week when Matthew Le Tissier's return to the inter-national fold suggested that every discard of genuine class will always find himself pushing at an open door, no one the pitch and his ill-judged saw fit to mention the name sentiments off it.

saw fit to mention the name of Stan Collymore.

The one-time self-publicist with the knack of rubbing up the wrong way even the most timid of souls will spend the coming weekend pondering an uncertain future while his an unterfam tuture white ms country's World Cup cam-paign opens in Moldova. So whatever happened to poor old Stan? Twelve

months ago Collymore was British football's most expensive player at £8.5 million. He was flashy, overbearingly confident and not averse to verbally punching the nose of

more than a curable case of small-pond to big-pool the men in red. In what was a confusing match and a poor "Give him time" pleaded spectacle Liverpool were

the apologists as they marched through Anfield's corridors of power defending Collymore's performances on Unfortunately for Colly-

more, time is modern foot-ball's most precious commod-ity and, with the new season still some way short of pu-berty, it is fast running out. He did well to bluff his way through to the 61st minute be-fore the first audible cry of "get him off" rolled down the main stand.

main stand.

The truth is that, if Liverpool possessed a third frontline striker, Collymore would
probably have been back in
the dressing-room, if not on
the dressing-room, if not on the dressing-room, if not on the dressing-room, if not on the dressing-room, if not on the dressing-room, if not on the dressing-room, if not on the dressing-room, if not on the dressing-room and the dressing performance by squame on an otherwise proficient personal performance by squame in the dressing performance by squame in the dress the beach, long before his side's efforts to overcome me-diocra opposition veered a largely unsympathetic public.

He did not play particularly well last season but that, we were all assured, was nothing out that the possible exception of unske such a claim.

land always too orthodox.

It was for occasions such as

these that the Wearsiders glorious pick-n-mix ran through walls en route to the First Division title in May. but their ambition is unlikely to embrace much more than survival in the months ahead. "I can't really remember Liverpool having a clear-cut chance," mused Sunderland's manager Peter Reid.

Indeed, the better openings fell to Reid's team but Niall Quinn took the edge off an

we have come through our

Football Manchester United survive another scare at Old Trafford

# SportExtra



Pole vault . . . Jacques Villeneuve in the Williams-Renault leads Michael Schumacher's Ferrari into La Source hairpin

Villeneuve reduces his World Championship deficit but is denied victory

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Alan Henry at Spa on the radio | neuve and the pit crew meant the Canadian did not hear the foul-up that cost Williams dear

arch-rival Damon Hill a rare favour yester day with a gripping victory in the Belgian Grand Prix that ensured Jacques Villeneuve had to settle for second place. The Ferrari driver's perfor mance on this high-speed track could prove decisive if and's McLaren-Mercedes Hill were to scrape home with surged past into third place on the world championship hav-ing allowed the momentum to pass to his Williams team-

mate Villeneuve. With Hill battling home fifth after another strategihad lost only four world championship points to Villeneuve. He now has a 13-point away from the leaders. points on offer for the win-

"In a way it was a relief to get two points," said Hill, "I thought that Jacques might win and I was not going to get any points at all at one time but I have to admit that 13 points is not what I would call opportunity to make pit-stops. a comfortable lead in the championship." He said he munication between Ville-

ICHAEL Schu-macher did his arch-cival Da-under-performed as a whole." mediate lead from pole ahead of Schumacher's Ferrari. which had burst through from the second row to seize second place ahead of Hill. The Brit-on's problems were then compounded when David Coulthsurged past into third place on the 190 mph climb to the Les

Combes corner.
Hill, who had taken the spare car shortly before the start, found himself battling a serious handling imbalance cally muddled race, he could on his first set of tyres. But he count himself lucky that he settled down to run fourth in the opening stages, although he was steadily dropping

His biggest problem arose as the drivers bunched in tight formation behind the safety car, which was deployed to slow the pack following an accident suffered by Jos Verstappen in the Footwork-Hart.

As the cars began using the

instructions to come in and refuel at the end of lap 14. He stayed out and came in the following lap, scrambling the team's refuelling plans as Hill was preparing to come in at the same time. They told Hill to stay out for another lap, but he had to dodge through the barriers in the nit antrance lane and lost He staved out and came in pit entrance lane and lost

time before finally coming in at the end of the next lap. Hill was down in 11th place when he resumed with a gag-gle of slower cars ahead of him. By lap 20 he was up to ninth, and up to fifth by lap 25 before dropping back to sixth after his second refuelling

stop on lap 34. Now the order was Schu-macher. Villeneuve, Mika Hakkinen in the McLaren. Jean Alesi in the Benettor and Coulthard in the other McLaren ahead of Hill. He moved back to fifth when Coulthard spun off on lap 38 and remained there until the chequered flag.

In the closing stages Schumacher eased away from Villeneuve to finish with over five seconds in hand over the

hard-driven Williams. "The communication prob lem cost us the race," said the Williams chief designer

charge of race tactics. "Jac-ques' radio didn't work properly when the pace car came out: we called him in but he didn't hear and went past.

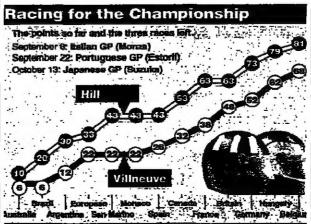
"By the time we saw Jacques go past it was too late to call Damon in. I had origi-nally called him in and then said 'no' as we didn't have time to change fuel rigs and

Villeneuve was philosophi cal afterwards. "We lost the race in the pit-stop," he said. When the pace car came out we were trying to communicate but we didn't understand

Adrian Newey, who was in | each other, so I stayed out That was a big factor but it was a close fight with Michael At the end I was hearing some noise from the exhaust, so I lay back a little bit, but taking four points a race off Damon is not enough."

> macher's finest victories. made more remarkable by a worrying degree of play in his Frank Williams was im-pressed. "If Ferrari gets on top of its reliability problems over the winter, which it will, Michael could disappear next

This was one of Schu-





The final problem for the BBC in pressing forward its case is that it has spent much of the past year in a form of striptease, unveiling a portion of its 10-year plans for digital multi-channel television but providing little hard information.

Maggie Brown on John Birt's Edinburgh speech

### Keegan keeps his head but still seeks his balance

OINTING to the pres box, the disgruntled fan shouted: "Here, mob are a bad lot. I'm telling you, they'll go down." Per-haps surprisingly, given the inept display he had just seen and the boos echoing around St James' Park, the grumpy Geordie was referring not to Newcastle but to Wednesday. As they had just walked off with three more points to top the first worthwhile Premiership table and Newcastle's players were in the dressingroom being harangued by the manager Kevin Keegan, the fan's comment seemed a

touch unreasonable.
Thousands of others took a different view from Mr Grumpy: it was Newcastle who were the bad lot and for the first time in the Keegan era a side in black and white was jeered off the pitch. Keegan's relaxed demeanour did not suggest a man on the verge of a crisis, yet his words carried a weight be-yond their calm delivery.

cided who manages this club," he said. "They get rid of him when they want to but we are not talking about fu-nerals yet. Don't get too

The most telling comment of all was Keegan's admission of all was Keegan's admission that he has yet to find the right balance and does not know how long that process attacking" will find little sup-

will take. Twe been trying a different way of playing. If we scored four in the first 15 minutes everyone would be ray.

Meanwhile Beardsley, and Cilleante all and the beardsley. utes everyone would be rav-ing about how unorthodox we

As it was, Newcastle scored only once, and that was the result of Faustino Asprilla "winning" a penalty. Shearer stack it away emphatically but the goal signalled the end of Newcastle's early charges of Newcastle's early charge rather than the beginning of a rout. There were other chances, notably Shearer clip-ping the bar, but Wednesday's manager David Pleat was cor-rect in his assertion that Pressman was not exactly

forced into a string of saves. Football fans are not stupid and to most Geordies the cause of the imbalance is ob-vious. They will reserve judgment on the Ferdinand-Shearer pairing but on Saturday the two centre-forwards were joined by a third

The Colombian does not seem content to lie wide on the right and whip in crosses for the others to score. That may not be his brief but the result is a lack of width. The player who deserves most sympathy because of this is ferdinand, who has found two men occupying the turi that was his alone last season. On the other flank Ginola had another poor 90 minutes. His declaration yesterday

Meanwhile Beardsley and Gillespie sit on the brach watching through their fin-gers as the defence disinte-grates. In this form, if Howey is an England player, then so are most of us.

Keegan's purchase of Shearer was understandable in the context of denying Manchester United but it is his side's back line that requires urgent attention. and it has done for some time. Watson's stumble that gifted Whittingham the winner could be excused as a one-off mistake but the general slop-piness that enabled Atherton to equalise so soon after Shearer's goal was indica-tive of greater overall

Wednesday were not flat-tered by the result. Srnicek made a fine full-length save from Whittingham in the first half and the 18-year-old Hum-phreys twice shivered the Newcastle woodwork with dipping volleys. In midfield Collins and Blinker were tenacious and skilful through-out and Pleat said that after a year he has finally instigated the changes to playing and backroom staff that he

And what a difference a year makes. In the third game of last season Newcastle won 2-0 at Hillsborough, a result that left Wednesday 14th, one place above where they fin-ished. Newcastle went top.

### False alarm over Ferguson

self, proved a false alarm. Tottenham's season, at least at home, so far refuses to launch. Much the same could be said on Saturday of the towering Ferguson, on whose back Everton are threatening to scale the Premiership. On this evidence the sights of both clubs have been set too high.

Despite this dip in early-season form Everton looked like a team waiting to happen. It is, as Joe Royle knows, a difficult leap to make, even if he will soon be firsh with a substansoon be flush with a substantial slice of £15 million from a new share issue. Tottenham appeared several stages be-hind in development, although for Gerry Francis the immediate necessity is to go to the

doctor rather than back to the drawing-board.

TO JUDGE by the prematch hype, sirens would be walling for 90 minutes at White Hart Lane to greet Duncan Ferguson and his flying Everton. This, in itself proved a false alarm.

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Francis must feel as if he has been triple-crossed with the 21-year-old Grant, substantiated Royle's side-swipe that Everton are "not just the Duncan Ferguson show".

Royle knows that he possesses a rare specimen — "Do you know anybody who can jump higher than the cross-self proved a false alarm.

suspected Achilles damage, the Tottenham manager's head shook in a curious mixture of frustration and de spair. This was just before the half-hour; Everton's bench

were already deeply irritated. The visitors' mood gradu-ally improved, despite a glaring miss by Short. And, even if Ferguson could not exploit two escapes from Campbell's clutches, the ground-based assault of Kanchelskis would surely deliver. The galloping winger was the focal point of Everton's second-half attack-ing. His failure to capitalise spoke volumes for Wilson's clever and calm defending.

The pace of Kanchelskis

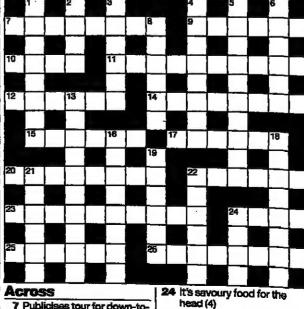
and the thoughtful perfor-

jump higher than the cross-bar?" — in the 6ft 4in striker. The clear temptation is Route One, direct flight to Ferguson's head. Royle sees a danger: "You have to be careful that you don't overload it. In any case he's very adept on the floor.

Campbell, if selected by England's new coach, is unlikely to confront anybody remotely like Ferguson in Moldova next Sunday. According to Francis, Campbell, one short of his 100th league game, is ready to start an international, whether at centre-back or elsewhere: wouldn't have any qualms about Sol playing if Glenn Hoddle picks him. He can play anywhere.'

#### **Guardian Crossword No 20,741**

Set by Crispa



7 Publicises tour for down-toearth travellers (3-5) 9 A men of learning and potential in Iran (6)

10 The beast advocates accommodating none (4) 11 Change the blend of tea on

12 A large number trained, though disabled (6) 14 This drink is put into a bag, note (8)

17 Join people in going wrong etc (6) 20 Cold remains - simple stuff

15 Directed police offensive (6)

22 Took things easy the Oriental way when in debt

23 Masons, yet they're not to be trusted (10)

25 Show warm feeling and be solicitous with some craft (6) 26 A painter finding the country diviner (8)

Down

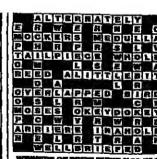
1 An old creature lumbering around is confused (8) 2 He spends some time in the House raising various

points (4) 3 Go astray and there'll be a charge made (6)

4 What determines how much a person has up top (8) 5 They imprison neat writers!

6 Arrange to invest (3,3) 8 A snooker-player at the bar?

13 The cars men get adapted for city use (10)



ERS OF PRIZE PUZZLE 20,784 This week's winners of a Collins English Dictionery are Dr A Wymen of Barnes, London, Mrs J Brown of Leeds, Christine Potter of Bridgwater, Somerset, John Device of Littleover, Derbyshire, Michael J Smith of

16 No practical individual

wants a fancy catalogue (8) 18 Places of entertainment causing the shedding of tears (8)

19 Certain about exercise being responsible for remission (6) 21 Dressed stone and wood

god (6) 22 Phone about one's appearing (6) 24 Permit to overtake (4)

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